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RE: PacifiCorp - "Deer Creek" Mine - Application for a Permit Revision, North Rida Area Facilities

Dear Mary Ann:

This in response to the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, & Mining's (UT-DOGM) January 7, 2005, request for a decision, under 30 CFR 944.30, whether the above subject permit revision constitutes a mining plan modification.

As stated in my letters dated March 10, 2004 and October 22, 2004, the above subject permit change continues to meet the criteria of the Federal regulations under 30 CFR 746.18(d) and will require modification of the existing mining plan and Secretarial approval. According to the decisions conveyed in the above referenced letters, the ongoing work to prepare an environmental assessment need to continue.

Sincerely,

Peter Rutledge  
Chief Program Support Division

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