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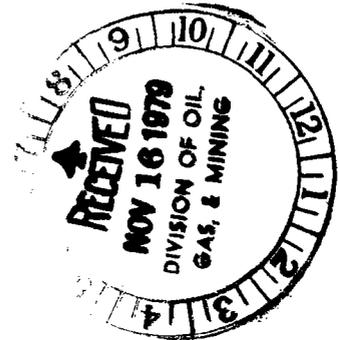


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Mr. Ron Daniels  
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Dear ~~M. Daniels~~ *Ron Daniels*:

This letter serves to grant OSM approval for sedimentation control structures at the Utah Power & Light (UP&L) Wilberg Mine which were described in revised maps and specifications forwarded to this office on June 25, 1979, and July 27, 1979. This approval is subject to the following stipulations and any further stipulations specified by the Forest Service or the U.S. Geological Survey:

1. The lower storage area shall be paved with asphalt or other suitable gravel liners.
2. The sedimentation ponds shall be maintained to ensure early removal of accumulated sediment.

My staff has evaluated the runoff and sediment storage volumes of the sedimentation ponds specified in correspondence from your office July 27, 1979. The 3.1 acre-feet runoff volume appears adequate to contain runoff resulting from the 10-year, 24-hour precipitation event. However, the additional 1.8 acre-feet for sediment storage volume provides an apparent volume of 0.07 acre-feet per acre of disturbed land or less than the required 0.1 acre-feet of sediment storage per acre of disturbed land. However, this estimate of disturbed acreage does not consider paving of (1) the access road, (2) the upper storage and parking area, or (3) the lower storage area. By eliminating these areas from "disturbed"

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status, the total disturbed area is 1.2 acres. Thus, the planned sediment storage volume of 1.8 acre-feet will provide the 0.1 acre-feet per acre of disturbed area as required in the regulations. I include this analysis to ensure the application is not misread.

A copy of this letter is enclosed for transmittal by your office to UP&L. If you have further questions about the approval and accompanying stipulations, please contact John Nadolski on my staff (303-837-3773).

Sincerely,



DONALD A. CRANE