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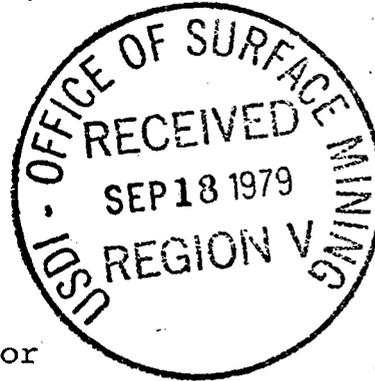
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Re: Permit Application for Cottonwood Portal
of Utah Power & Light Company's Wilberg
Coal Mine

Gentlemen:

In compliance with requirements of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, and regulations thereunder, Utah Power & Light Company submits seven copies of an application for a permit to mine. The application relates to the proposed Cottonwood portal of the Wilberg Coal Mine currently being operated by Utah Power & Light. Utah Power & Light Company has previously filed an application for permit to mine in compliance with 30 C.F.R., Part 211. That application addressed all plant activities at the Wilberg Mine.

Since that time, Utah Power & Light has reached the decision to modify its mine plans and to add another portal at the mine. The portal, which will involve the same coal seams, is located several miles west of the Wilberg Mine portal. Inasmuch as the Cottonwood portal is a portion of the Wilberg Mine and the "211" submittal for that mine has previously been made, it was determined, after consultation with the regional OSM office, that the permit application would be an addendum to the Wilberg 211 submittal. The Wilberg 211 submittal is included for reference at the end of the application. Where OSM requirements have been addressed sufficiently, the 211 submittal is referenced. But, where the site-specific questions for the Cottonwood portal have not previously been addressed, a new section has been added. We are filing three copies of the application with the Utah State Division of Oil, Gas and Mining and are also delivering courtesy copies to Mr. Moffitt of the U.S. Geological Survey and Mr. Thurgood of the Bureau of Land Management.

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If you have any questions regarding the application or feel that anything further is required, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

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Attachments