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Mr. Merrill Heward, Manager  
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RE: Utah Power & Light Company  
Cottonwood Portal Exploration  
Emery County, Utah  
EXP/015/011

Dear Mr. Heward:

A site inspection of Utah Power and Light Company's Cottonwood Portal Exploration was performed on December 7, 1979 by Division of Oil, Gas and Mining and Office of Surface Mining personnel.

During the inspection it was observed that a large amount of rock and soil had been pushed into Cottonwood Creek as a result of the above exploration activity. This is in direct conflict with State law, as well as the exploration plan submitted by Utah Power and Light Company.

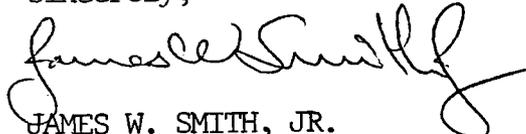
Utah Power and Light Company is hereby directed to see that the debris which has been deposited in Cottonwood Creek is expeditiously removed and that steps are taken to prevent this deposition from occurring again.

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Utah Power and Light Company is also reminded of its obligation to control surface runoff from the disturbed area. Measures to control surface runoff and soil erosion were not evident during the inspection.

Your prompt attention in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



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