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Mr. Ralph L. Jerman  
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RE: Exploration Plan  
Cottonwood Portal  
EXP/015/011

*Mr. Jerman*

Dear ~~Mr. Gurr~~:

The Division staff has completed its review of the Exploration Plan submitted October 3, 1979 by Utah Power and Light Company for the proposed Cottonwood Portal. The Division finds the plan to be in compliance with all applicable regulations that the Division presently directly enforces. Therefore, approval to commence the exploratory work as proposed in the above-cited plan is hereby issued.

The approval is issued with the following stipulations:

1. Topsoil from the proposed rock storage area shall be segregated and stockpiled in the proposed topsoil stockpile.
2. All fill structures, such as the rock storage area, the topsoil stockpile and berms shall be promptly mulched, fertilized, and reseeded with a minimum of twenty pounds per acre of sod-forming grass seed approved by the Division. ;
3. A reclamation surety contract for the amount of \$29,000.00 and filed prior to site disturbance.

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The Division considers this action as exploratory in nature. The approval of this action should in no way be considered as approval of any part of the proposed Cottonwood Portal Modification. It should also be noted that the approval does not include officially documented comments from the U.S. Office of Surface Mining.

Staff members from the Division will be available on-site as per your request on October 23, 1979.

Sincerely,



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COORDINATOR OF MINED LAND DEVELOPMENT

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