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Mr. Reed Christensen
Forest Supervisor
Manti-LaSal National Forest
350 East Main Street
Price, UT 84501

Dear Mr. Christensen:

By letter dated August 29, 1980, Utah Power and Light (UP&L) submitted an updated subsidence monitoring plan for the Deer Creek, Wilberg, and Des-Bee-Dove Mines. Because of the nature of mining on East Mountain, the Office of Surface Mining (OSM) is cooperating to the fullest extent with the Forest Service and the State Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining in order to establish an effective subsidence/hydrologic monitoring system. To this end, John Nadolski, of my staff, has met with representatives of all parties concerned on two occasions (June 25, 1980, and July 16, 1980). The area was also visited by several members of the Technical Analysis and Research staff in August, 1979.

After reviewing the updated subsidence monitoring plan, OSM accepts the plan as being in compliance with the regulations of 30 CFR 211, 30 CFR 784.20, and 30 CFR 817.121 through 817.126.

If your agency has any additional subsidence requirements, please contact Dr. James Riddle (303-837-3773) of my staff. It is my request that if conflicts exist between our two agencies, a meeting be scheduled to discuss these problems.

As you know, OSM neglected to obtain your agency's consent when we gave our approval on August 31, 1979. This was an error on our part; however, we request that your agency identify areas of deficiency so that we can finalize the decision on the hydrologic monitoring plan. If you have any questions, please contact John Nadolski (303-837-3773).

Sincerely,

Don Crane

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