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Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining  
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1204

Re: Wilberg 4th East Conveyor  
Temporary Spur Road

Dear Mr. Hedberg:

In response to your letter dated December 19, 1984, the following are comments addressing the questions and deficiencies of your letter.

UMC 817.21-.25 Topsoil

Per the soil survey in the approved Wilberg plan, there is basically no horizon A topsoil present. The area involved is a barren, steep, rubble slope with very sparse vegetation located west of the coal silo.

Construction of the road will utilize a cut and balance fill method which will not allow for any soil stockpiling due to the steep slope.

Upon completion of the 4th East conveyor (approximately one year from startup) the road will be reclaimed by using a backhoe to pull the rubble back to its original place, backfilled and regraded to its approximate original location. This existing material is acceptable to serve as a plant growth medium.

See Figures 1 and 2 (of this submittal) for an aerial photo of spur road and typical road cross section.

UMC 817.42 Hydrology

Our plan indicates that drainage from the road will be contained by a berm on the outside of the road. There will also be

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a berm around the outside of the pad to allow drainage to be contained and routed down the road and onto the main mine site where the disturbed drainage will be treated by the sedimentation ponds.

UMC 817.111-.117 Revegetation

Final reclamation of the road will utilize the same seeding and planting methodologies and techniques as approved in the Wilberg Mine plan. However, final reclamation will only involve the last 100' of road south of the undisturbed drainage. See Figure 1.

The remainder of the road will be reclaimed at the same time utilizing the approved interim revegetation techniques. This same area will be regraded again during the final phases of mine reclamation due to the location and restoration of the riprap drainage channel.

Reclamation will take place approximately one year from the startup date of the conveyor project.

UMC 817.175 Roads Class III: Maintenance

During the approximate one year period of the roads existence it will be maintained as required to minimize erosion and prevent any further degradation during climatic conditions.

UMC 817.176 Roads Class III: Restoration

Final reclamation plans for the road incorporates the same seeding and planting methodologies and techniques as approved in the Wilberg mine plan. Timing of the reclamation has been addressed previously in this letter under revegetation.

May we emphasize that the sole purpose of this spur road and pad is to locate and position a 20-ton crane that will be used in the construction of the 4th East conveyor and support structure. This project is very vital in our efforts to put the Wilberg Mine back into production; also, to accommodate geotechnical soil samples and placement of the bent structure footings.

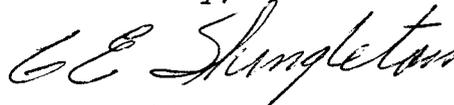
Of course, all of this hinges on the approval to construct the spur road.

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Therefore, your prompt review for approval is greatly appreciated.

Any questions, please call.

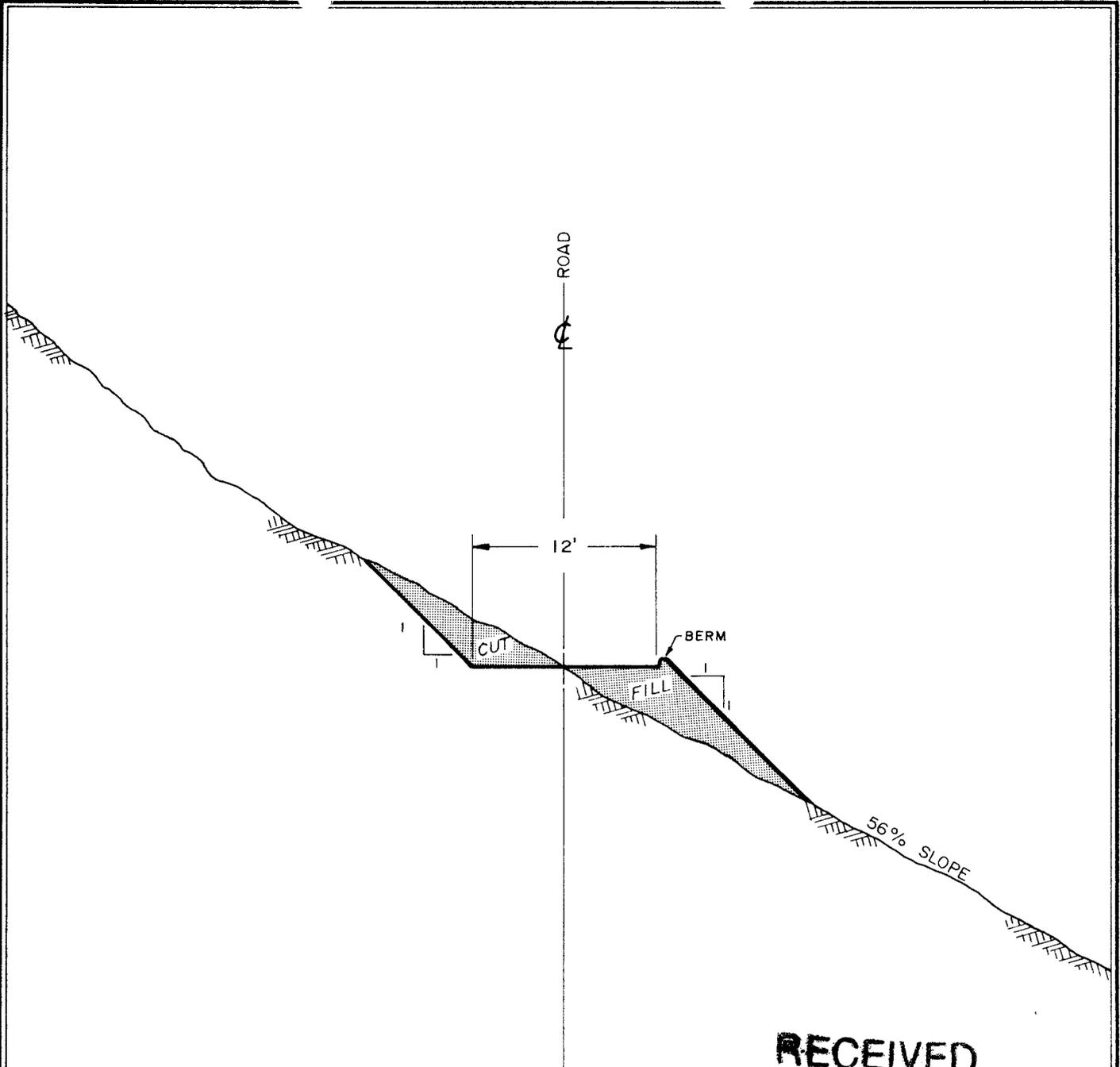
Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "C. E. Shingleton".

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Director of Permitting,  
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<b>WILBERG COAL MINE</b> Emery County, Utah	
<b>TYPICAL SPUR ROAD CROSS SECTION</b>	
<b>UTAH POWER &amp; LIGHT COMPANY</b> Department of Mining & Exploration	
DATE <b>3-4-85</b>	BY <b>SMC</b>
SCALE <b>NONE</b>	<b>FIGURE 2</b>