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December 11, 1986

Mr. Reed C. Christensen
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Dear Mr. Christensen:

Re: MRP Amendment, Request to Modify East Mountain Spring
Monitoring Plans, Utah Power and Light Company,
ACT/015/019-86A, Folder #3 and 9, Emery County, Utah

This letter is in response to your October 6, 1986 correspondence which outlined the Forest Service's position on the above referenced amendment.

Your letter indicated that the Forest Service objected to withdrawing springs 79-32 and 79-25 from the company's monitoring program, temporarily or permanently, because these springs have high resource value with respect to wildlife and livestock needs. The Division will forward a formal disapproval to Utah Power & Light of the amendment request based upon your recommendations.

In an effort to help minimize future confusion regarding similar hydrologic amendment requests, we would request that the Forest Service provide the Division with a list of those springs on UP&L's approved permit areas meeting the definition of "high resource value". Such a listing would greatly assist the Division in efficiently processing similar applications in the future. If you prefer, we could arrange to have members of our staff meet with your staff to work out these designations and any others which you may have identified as important within your District.

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Please call me or Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor, if we can be of assistance in working out a solution to this issue. Thank you for your continued cooperation and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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