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Lowell Braxton
State of Utah Natural Resources
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
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RE: Approval of Guardrail Installation and Approval an Amendment for Stacking
Tube, Utah Power and Light Company, Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine,
ACT/015/019-89A and B, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

Dear Lowell:

We have reviewed these two Mine Plan Amendments which have already been approved by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining. We have no objections to either of them, however, we have some comments as follows:

1. The guardrail was constructed along the mine access road on a segment which lies off-lease and on lands administered by the Manti-LaSal National Forest. The off-lease facilities were incorporated into the permit area after the Forest Service authorized use of this area for the mine facilities through the special-use permit. Forest Service special-use permits generally authorize construction of facilities rather than blanket authorization of an area for a specific use. In this case, the guardrail is incident to the permitted road, however, we feel that we should have been consulted initially in regard to the design and construction of the guardrail and the need for a modification to the existing special-use permit.
2. The plan does not show the type of guardrail or the placement in regard to a typical cross-section. The materials and design must meet Utah Department of Transportation standards.
3. The amendment for the stacking tube includes only the geotechnical information in regard to construction of the foundation. Stacking tube drawings are not presented for evaluation. Once this information is included, we will need to receive copies for insertion into our copies of the Mining and Reclamation Plan.

If you have any questions, please contact the Forest Supervisor's Office in Price, Utah or the Ferron Ranger District Office in Ferron, Utah.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "George A. Morris".

for
GEORGE A. MORRIS
Forest Supervisor