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Mr. Blake Webster  
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Dear Mr. Webster:

Re: Coal/Rock Ratio Monitoring Requirements, Cottonwood/Wilberg Waste Rock Storage Facility Addition, PacifiCorp Electric Operations (PEO), Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine, ACT/015/019, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

Your letter (dated December 24, 1991) requested relief from the permit requirement for the determination of the coal/rock ratio at the Cottonwood/Wilberg Waste Rock Storage Facility during the last two quarters of 1991 and the first two quarter of 1992.

This type of request should be forwarded to the Division prior to the beginning of the period in question. However, this relief request may be granted (upon compliance with two conditions as noted below), because the large volume of sediment pond waste encountered, especially the material from the Des-Bee-Dove cleanout, increases the the volume of noncombustible material and, therefore, decreases the coal/rock ratio in the graded lift. If grading and handling of the sediment pond waste occurs prior to the end of the relief period, though, it will be necessary to begin monitoring the coal/rock ratio. The graded lift(s) must not exceed a maximum depth of four feet.

The two conditions relative to this coal/rock ratio monitoring relief request are:

- 1) Submit coal/rock ratio reports from previous analysis; and

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- 2) Describe the mechanism and techniques employed to blend sediment pond waste with waste rock for inclusion in the plan.

Please submit this information by February 21, 1992.

Sincerely,



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Permit Supervisor

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cc: Henry Sauer  
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