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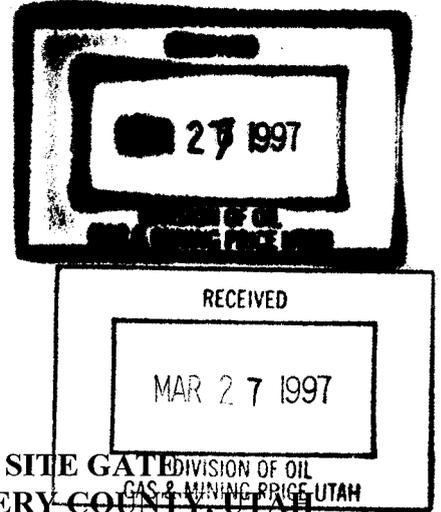
March 25, 1997

Utah Coal Regulatory Program
 Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
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 Price, Utah 84501

Attention: Mr. Bill Malencik

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Re: AMENDMENT: COTTONWOOD WASTE ROCK SITE GATE RELOCATION, PACIFICORP, ACT/015/019, EMERY COUNTY, UTAH



PacifiCorp, by and through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Energy West Mining Company ("Energy West") as mine operator, herewith submit an amendment to relocate the existing waste rock site gate.

BRIEF:

The existing gate location is positioned just outside the confines of the Refuse site at the end of the access road that leads to the waste rock site. The gate is required to be locked after normal working hours and is inspected by MSHA inspectors as well as the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining for compliance. It has been a troublesome situation to maintain the gate and keep locks secured. Due to the concealed nature of the existing gate location vandalism to the gate and locks is a constant concern and reality. The gate and locks have been repaired or replaced time and time again since original placement occurred.

PROPOSAL

It is our proposal at this time, after recently repairing the gate and chain lock again, that the gate location be placed at the beginning of the access road and in full view of Highway 57. This in hopes that people will see the locked gate from the highway and know that this is not a travelable road. This should also help discourage vandals, wherein the new location will not provided a concealed location in which to break or destroy the gate or locks without possibly being observed. Also, mine personnel will be able to view the gate from the road as they drive by, thus insuring that gate is closed and locked at the end of the days work.

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CONSTRUCTION

The new location as mentioned above will be at the beginning of the access road to the waste rock site. The access road has a profile centerline with survey stationing, as shown on drawing CM-10826-WB, Plate 4-1, the gate location stationing will be approximately 2+20. New steel gate posts will be installed and placed in concrete, on either side of the access road. The gate opening is 31 feet wide. The existing gate will be utilized, removed and fastened to the new gate posts. Large boulders will be placed where needed to further discourage vehicles from trying to go around the gate when locked. The existing gate posts will remain in place.

PERMIT CHANGES

With this amendment the permit page 2-2, Waste Rock Site Volume, (only reference found) will need to be revised. The revision will state: The locked gate will be located at the beginning of the access road, station 2+20, to the waste rock storage facility. Please find attached seven copies of this page.

The drawing CM-10826-WB, Plate 4-1 of the Waste Rock volume will be revised to show the new location for the gate and posts.

Please find enclosed seven copies of the above drawing, the area change is highlighted.

Thank you for your help and assistance in completing this amendment, if there are any concerns please call Chuck Semborski at 687-4720, or Richard Northrup at 678-4822.

Sincerely,



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