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Re: Conditional Approval of Revised Areas of the Waste Rock Site, PacifiCorp, Cottonwood Mine, ACT/015/019-00A, Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Semborski:

The amendment to remove 12.98 acres of undisturbed area and correction of the two topsoil piles at the Waste Rock Site are conditionally approved. Pursuant to Division Order ACT/015/019-DO2000A, PacifiCorp must submit corrected legal descriptions and maps of the permit area for the Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine by April 3, 2000. Enclosed is a copy of the Technical Analysis for your review.

Final approval will be granted when the response to the Division Order is approved and a revised permit is issued.

If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,


Pam Grubaugh-Littig
Permit Supervisor

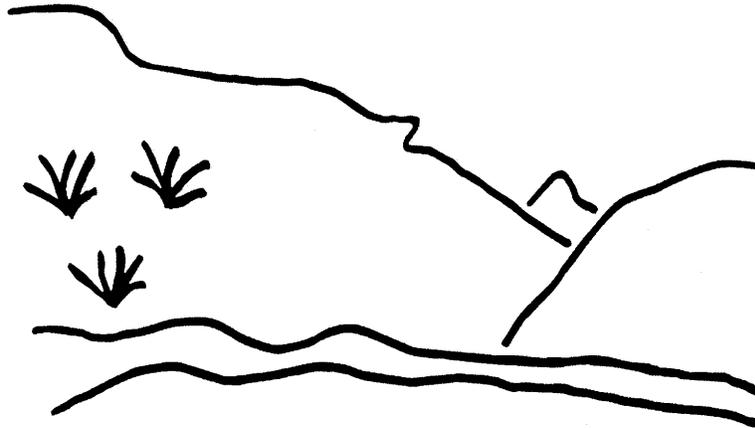
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Enclosure

cc: Joe Wilcox, OSM
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Coal Regulatory Program

Cottonwood Mine
Waste Rock Site
ACT/015/019-AM00A
Technical Analysis
February 10, 2000

OPERATION PLAN

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MAPS, PLANS, AND CROSS SECTIONS OF MINING OPERATIONS

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR Sec. 784.23; R645-301-512, -301-521, -301-542, -301-632, -301-731, -302-323.

Analysis:

Affected Area Maps

A re-survey of the topsoil associated with the PacifiCorp Waste Rock Site revealed that two small permitted and disturbed areas has topsoil stored thereon. The two areas are shaded in salmon color. The deficient copies of a certified map CM-10826-WB show the correction noted herein.

Findings:

The amendments, as submitted, meet the requirements of the soils regulation.

RECLAMATION PLAN

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POST-MINING LAND USES

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR Sec. 784.15, 784.200, 785.16, 817.133; R645-301-400

Analysis:

BLM on 11-2-99 approved deleting approximately 12.98 acres from the DOGM/PacifiCorp undisturbed permitted boundary. This is a subsequent action to delete the 12.98 acres from the DOGM permit. A copy of the BLM deletion, as approved, is attached.

Findings:

The approximately 12.98 acres are within the current DOGM undisturbed DOGM permit. Therefore, no reclamation is required on this undisturbed area.

MAPS, PLANS, AND CROSS SECTIONS OF RECLAMATION OPERATIONS

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR Sec. 784.23; R645-301-323, -301-512, -301-521, -301-542, -301-632, -301-731.

Analysis:

Affected Area Boundary Maps

Affected area boundary maps: Drawing CM-10826-WB and Drawing KS-1794A. The 12.98 acres has been deleted from the certified map provided by PacifiCorp.

Findings:

This section meets the requirements of the regulations.

BONDING AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR Sec. 800; R645-301-800, et seq.

Analysis:

RECLAMATION PLAN

Determination of Bond Amount

The relinquished BLM right-of-way grant containing 12.98 acres has been approved by the BLM manager. Since the entire 12.98 acres has not been disturbed, there is no bonding associated with this relinquishment.

Findings:

The permittee meets the requirement of the afore cited regulations.

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