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Mary Ann Wright
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Re: Inspection of the Old Johnson mine complex

Dear Mary Ann:

BLM participated in a surface inspection on April 4, 2002 with personnel from DOGM, the surface owner and Energy West Mining Company. BLM participated in the inspection because it was unknown as to whether or not the Old Johnson mine had mined on Federal coal. After reviewing the permit for the Deer Creek mine, we noted a map that showed mine workings of the Old Johnson mine. It indicated that there was no federal coal mined. This location was originally planned to be used as a fan portal location and to our knowledge it was constructed as a fan location for the Cottonwood mine. The maps indicate that there is no connection from the Old Johnson mine complex to the Cottonwood mine.

Since this location is not on Federal surface, does not contain Federal coal, is not connected to a mine that contains Federal coal, and is not contained in the Trail Mountain Logical Mining unit or the East Mountain Logical Mining unit, BLM does not have jurisdiction over this issue. As an adjacent coal owner, BLM concurs with the Phase I bond release.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mr. Stan Perkes at (801) 539-4036.

Sincerely,

James F. Kohler
Chief, Solid Minerals Branch

cc: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
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