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Mike:

Energy West Mining Company hereby requests that the UPDES discharge point UT0022896-005, which is the Cottonwood Waste Rock Site sediment pond discharge point, be transferred from the Cottonwood Mine UPDES Permit # UT0022896 to the Trail Mountain Mine UPDES Permit #UT0023728. This discharge point will become #UT0023728-003, a new point in the Trail Mountain UPDES Permit. At the time the transfer of the discharge point is completed by DWQ and DOGM, the discharge point will be eliminated from the Cottonwood UPDES permit. The request is being made so that the Cottonwood Waste Rock site in its entirety with its various permits can be transferred to and become a part of the Trail Mountain Mine and its various permits.

Trail Mountain Mine is being sold and transferred to another operator, and the Cottonwood Waste Rock Site will be included in this transaction so that the Trail Mountain Mine will have a future dedicated waste rock site. The Cottonwood Mine, for which the Cottonwood Waste Rock Site was originally constructed and named, has been closed and is being reclaimed; the Cottonwood Waste Rock Site will, when the transaction is completed, be associated solely with the Trail Mountain Mine, with a new operator.

One of the conditions of the sale and transfer of the properties is that the Cottonwood Waste Rock Site UPDES discharge point be transferred into the Trail Mountain UPDES permit prior to closing. We anticipate that closing will occur in mid-April, so time is of the essence. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to expedite the permit transfer. We understand that UDOGM will need to be involved in this process also; we will do our best to coordinate our work toward this goal with both agencies as the process moves along.

If you have any questions concerning these reports, please feel free to call Ken Fleck at (435) 687-4712 or Dennis Oakley at (435) 687-4825.

Sincerely,

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