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Subj: Extension Request to Respond to the Deficiencies Identified by the Division to Revise the Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine Reclamation Plan, PacifiCorp, Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine, C/015/0019, Emery County, Utah, Task ID #4960.

PacifiCorp, by and through its managing agent, Interwest Mining Company (IMC), hereby submits an extension request to respond to the deficiencies identified by the Division in Task ID #4960 dated September 18, 2015. IMC requests a 30 day extension from the required October 23, 2015 deadline. By requesting this extension, IMC feels it can more accurately respond with the appropriate information in regards to the Utah Coal Rules R645-301-356.300 and R645-301-763.100.

With this extension request, IMC also requests information regarding the option suggested by the Division to leave the full length of the 72" undisturbed bypass culverts (and 90" after they join) and the sediment ponds in place. IMC is particularly interested in any examples of successful cases for this type of reclamation construction activities and how it can prudently be utilized in the Cottonwood/Wilberg reclamation plan.

Interwest Mining Company recommends that a face to face and on-site meeting is essential to discuss reclamation planning options for the Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine. The Division's Permit Supervisors, Steve Christensen and Daron Haddock, Review Team Lead, Lisa Reinhart, and Review Team Members, Cheryl Parker, and Keenan Storrar are encouraged to join us at our office in Huntington. IMC feels this meeting would be beneficial to the successful reclamation planning of Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine and would be instrumental in developing the best plan.

IMC will reserve the conference room at the main office in Huntington to begin this meeting. We suggest that the meeting date and time be Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 10 am. Of course, IMC will provide lunch for all attendees.

Please contact Dennis Oakley at 435-687-4825 if this date and time fits the Division's schedule, or provide us with an alternative schedule if it does not. If you have any other questions or concerns regarding this request, you can also contact Dennis at your convenience. Otherwise, IMC looks forward to seeing all of you in our office on the 27th.

Sincerely,

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