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REGISTERED RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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Mr. Wendell Owen  
Co-op Mining Company  
P.O. Box 1225  
Huntington, Utah 84528

RE: Water Monitoring  
Trail Canyon Mine  
ACT/015/021  
Bear Canyon Mine  
ACT/015/025  
Folder No. 's 3 & 9  
Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Owen:

I have recently reviewed the water quality and quality data (September '82 to February '83) submitted for stream sites in Trail and Bear Canyons.

We have reason to believe that the information submitted on December 20, 1983, January 21, 1983 and February 22, 1983 is not reliable. Inspectors and technical staff personnel examining the minesite close to the time the January sample was taken witnessed flows in the stream channels. They dug through the snow cover just above the new road leading to the proposed Wild Horse Ridge Mine.

It is not necessary to photograph the sites because flow can occur beneath the snow cover. Only a statement is necessary if no flow exists, however, a reasonable effort should be employed to obtain the sample.

Non-submittal of proper samples will result in a notice of violation in the future.

Sincerely,

DAVID W. DARBY  
RECLAMATION HYDROLOGIST

DWD/lm

cc: John Whitehead, DOGM  
Scott Nordness, Co-op  
Bill Stoddard, Co-op