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April 4, 1988

Mr. Melvin Coonrod  
Permitting and Compliance  
Co-Op Mining Company  
P.O. Box 1245  
Huntington, Utah 84528

Dear Mr. Coonrod:

Re: Approval of PAP Amendment, Incidental Boundary Change Request,  
Co-Op Mining Company, Bear Canyon Mine, ACT/015/025-88A,  
Folder #3, Emery County, Utah

The Division has completed its review of Co-Op Mining Company's permit change request for an underground 8.5 acre Incidental Boundary Change (IBC) at the Bear Canyon mine. The proposal has been reviewed by John Whitehead, Permit Supervisor, for completeness and technical adequacy. Please refer to the attached technical memorandum for an explanation of the review and approval recommendation. This letter will serve as the Division's final approval for this permit change application. Co-Op Mining Company has now adequately addressed all the conditions required by this office to finalize this permitting action.

The Division will forward extra copies of the approved plans to appropriate state and federal agencies to update file copies of the approved mining and reclamation plan for the Bear Canyon mine. Thank you for your cooperation in completing this permitting action.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg  
Data Management Coordinator

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Attachment

cc: R. Hagen D. Parker  
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March 22, 1988

TO: File

FROM: John Whitehead, Permit Supervisor *[Signature]*

RE: Incidental Boundary Change (IBC) Request, Co-Op Mining Company, Bear Canyon Mine, ACT/015/025-88A, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

Synopsis of Proposal

Co-Op Mining Company submitted, on March 2, 1988, an Incidental Boundary Change request for an 8.5 acre fee property parcel contained in the southeast quarter of section 14, township 16 south, range 7 East, SLBM (see Plate 2-1 received March 2, 1988).

Analysis

Right-of-Entry Right-of-entry is documented by an August 4, 1980 corporation warranty deed between Peabody Coal Company and C.O.P. Development Company, and an Addendum to Coal Mining lease executed January 18, 1988 between C.O.P. Development Company and Co-Op Mining Company.

Size of I.B.C. The size of the requested Incidental Boundary Change (IBC) was verified at 8.5 acres, based on the description attached to the February 19, 1988 letter from Melvin A. Coonrod. The presently approved permit area of the Bear Canyon Mine includes 991 acres. The 8.5 acres requested is 1.4 acres less than the 9.9 acre maximum cap for incidental boundary changes during this permit term for the Bear Canyon Mine.

Cultural Resources Clearance A February 19, 1984 survey by SENCO-PHENIX Associates, included the south half of section 14. No archeological or cultural resource sites were found in the areas sampled. Further, the area of section 14 which is to be mined in this incidental boundary change is not adjacent to the Bear Canyon stream channel. Therefore, it is unlikely to underlie significant cultural resource sites.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the incidental boundary change be approved.

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