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Mr. Pete Rutledge
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement
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Dear Pete:

I signed the Decision Notice/Finding of No Significant Impact (DN/FONSI, enclosed) for the Bear Canyon Mining Plan Modification on April 5, 2007. A legal notice of the decision was published in the *Sun Advocate* newspaper on April 10, 2007. The 45-day appeal period ended on May 25, 2007, with no appeals. Therefore my decision may be implemented immediately.

I have decided to implement Alternative 3, which is to consent to the mining plan modification as proposed by Co-Op Mining, with supplemental mitigations to protect cultural resources (Attachment 1 of the DN/FONSI). My decision applies to only the National Forest System lands within the mining plan modification area. This decision is also my concurrence with the permit revision by the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, which would involve including this permit change in the Mining and Reclamation Plan for the Bear Canyon Mine.

Please contact Dale Harber at (435) 636-3548 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

for ALICE B. CARLTON
Forest Supervisor

cc: Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

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