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**DIVISION OF
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Dear Mr. Braxton:

We have received Genwal Coal Company's five-year renewal and modification package Act/015/032. Among other items, the document addresses the requirements of adding new emergency coal lease U-54762 into the permit area. Our response will only involve the resource recovery and protection plan (R2P2). The permit area is entirely within the Manti-LaSal National Forest and outside any BLM jurisdiction with regards to surface protection, reclamation or post-mining land uses.

In our review of the R2P2 portion of the renewal, we have determined the package meets the requirements of 43 CFR 3482.1(b) and addresses all necessary requirements. Though we recommend approval of the modifications and the renewal of the five-year permit, we will require further discussions with Genwal management and mine planning engineers to further refine panel layout and sequencing. We will contact the company directly to discuss these items. Any changes to the R2P2 will be forwarded to your office. We will also inform you of our determination of maximum economic recovery after the mine planning and layout concerns have been addressed by the company.

Our field engineer, Stephen Falk, will be working on the R2P2 portion of the plan with the company. Should you have any questions, contact him at the San Rafael Resource Area Office in Price at 637-4584 or Brent Northrup of my staff at 259-6111.

Sincerely yours,

Renneth V. Shea
District Manager

cc: SD, Utah (U-921)
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