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Reply to: 2820

Date: September 25, 1989

Mr. Allen Childs
Genwal Coal Company
P.O. Box 1201
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RE: Proposed Road Paving, Genwal Coal Company, Inc., Crandall Canyon Mine:
Approval by Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining and Forest Service
Concurrence. (See UDOGM letter dated September 11, 1989.)

Dear Mr. Childs:

We consent to paving the Crandall Canyon Mine access road within the Mine Permit Area, as described in your proposal submitted in early September.

We also wish to discuss with you the need to pave the remainder of the road from State Highway 31 to the Mine Permit Area. Dust and sediment are not being adequately controlled on the present gravel road surface. In light of expected increase in production levels from your mine, an increase in fugitive dust and sediment runoff also can be expected. The terms of the Road Use Permit for the Crandall Canyon Forest Service Road No. 50248 (dated 5/21/81), require you to pave no later than 40 months after coal haul commences if surface treatments fail to prevent surface losses and control fugitive dust. These conditions exist; therefore, it is time to meet with you to discuss planning and scheduling the paving of this section of the Crandall Canyon Road.

Additionally, we would like to know the status of right of way through Beaver Creek Coal Company property. As you know, the Manti-LaSal National Forest requires right of access through Crandall Canyon. It is in both our interests that this access be through the existing road on Beaver Creek property. To avoid any uncertainties about right of access for the Crandall Canyon Mine or the Manti-LaSal National Forest, we request that you acquire a right-of-way and grant it to the U.S. Government. This should be accomplished as soon as possible.

We have found that you moved the microwave station from the permitted location on Wild Horse Ridge to a site of uncertain land ownership. We understand that the permitted site did not work and that it is difficult to select a permanent site until it is tested. Bear in mind that use of National Forest System Lands without a permit is a violation of Forest Service Regulations. Setting the equipment at various locations for testing without excavating is acceptable. Once a permanent site is selected, however, the proposal will be analyzed and, if acceptable, the permit will be revised.

Sincerely,

/s/ Aaron L. Howe

for
GEORGE A. MORRIS
Forest Supervisor

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