

GENWAL COAL COMPANY

March 15, 1990

Mr. Jim Ward
Bureau of Land Management
900 North 700 East
Price, UT 84501

RE: Request for Modification of the Approved
Mine Plan for the Crandall Canyon Mine
Lease Area U-54762
Mine ID: 42-01715

Dear Mr. Ward:

I am submitting the following information to appraise you and the Bureau of Land Management of our present mining conditions and the need to modify the long-term projections at the Crandall Canyon Mine.

After retreating from the 1st North panel, advance was started on the 2nd North panel. The 2nd North panel was driven North for approximately 2,400' where thinning and oxidized coal was encountered. Roof conditions in this area deteriorated rapidly and we could not hold the top from falling in.

Also the coal seam dropped in height from 4'7" and our roof bolter and shuttle cars would not travel in that height. Rooms were driven East towards the 1st North panel and the burn was encountered and mining was terminated.

The Price Bureau of Land Management office was called and an inspection was made on 3/9/90 by me and Jim Ward. Because of the burn, the thin coal seam, and the marginal safety factor, verbal approval was given to square up the face area and start retreat mining.

On the advance of the 3rd North panel, rooms will be driven towards 2nd North panel to pick up any additional coal that may be available.

Drilling and outcrop data shows that the coal bed thins to the North and that the remaining panels will also thin. Accordingly, our mining projections to the North will only be projected to approximately 2,000' to the North.

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Please accept this amendment and justification to our originally submitted mining plan.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at 687-9813.

Sincerely,

GENWAL COAL COMPANY

Allen Childs
Mine Manager

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Enclosure

MINOR MODIFICATION
MINING PLAN APPROVAL
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Recommended By:

4-5-90

James L. Wood

Mining Engineer

Approved By:

James W. Hayden 4-11-90

Area Manager

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