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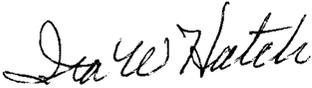
Date: March 1, 1991

Daron Haddock, DOGM  
355 West No. Temple  
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

I have consented to the approval of a temporary special use permit authorizing a telephone link to the Crandall Canyon Mine and have determined that there would be no significant impact to the quality of the human environment by the issuance of this authorization.

Enclosed for your records is a copy of the Decision Memo consenting to the approval. If copies of the associated environmental documents are desired, please contact this office at the above address.

Sincerely,



IRA W. HATCH  
District Ranger

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EMERY COUNTY FARMERS UNION  
TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION INC.  
TEMPORARY TELEPHONE LINK TO SERVE  
THE CRANDALL CANYON MINE

PRICE RANGER DISTRICT  
MANTI-LA SAL NATIONAL FOREST  
EMERY COUNTY, UTAH

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I have decided to approve Emery County Farmers Union Telephone Association's (ECFUTA) application for a temporary Special Use Permit. Through the application, ECFUTA proposes to install a temporary telephone link to Genwal Coal Caompany's Crandall Canyon Mine. The link would include installation of a pole with an attached solar panel and antenna in the mouth of Mill Fork Canyon; a pole with an attached solar panel and two antennas in the mouth of Crandall Canyon and an antenna on an existing pole at the Crandall Canyon Mine site. This temporary link will be a substitute for a dysfunctional microwave tower and allows telephone communications (for safety and emergency reasons) until the ground thaws and ECFUTA can acquire permits to install a permanent buried line. Both pole locations are situated adjacent to existing roads. Work would commence in March, 1991, and take a day or 2 to complete. Removal would take one half day. The application and operation plan contained in the case file fully explain the proposal. These documents, other associated documents, and the Scoping Document are available for review at the Price Ranger District Office or the Manti-La Sal National Forest Supervisor's Office, Price, Utah.

Project Scoping has identified no issues and no adverse impacts to any resource. This project is consistent with the management directions, including standards and guidelines in the Manti-La Sal National Forest Land and Resource Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement. This proposed action falls within category 5 (minerals and energy related activities of limited size, duration and degree of disturbance and no extraordinary circumstances exist that might cause the action to have significant effects. Based on an analysis of the proposal, this action is categorically excluded from documentation in an environmental impact statement or an environmental assessment (FSH 1909.15 sections 26.1b2 and 26.2).

This decision is subject to administrative review in accordance with 36 CFR 217. Any appeal of this decision must include the information required by 36 CFR 217.9 (content of a notice of appeal), including the reasons for appeal. Two (2) copies of the Notice of Appeal must be filed with George A. Morris, Forest Supervisor, Manti-La Sal National Forest, 599 West Price River Drive, Price, Utah 84501 within 45 days of the date specified in the Legal Notice published in the Price Sun Advocate. Also, this project may be implemented 7 days after this date.

This decision is also subject to administrative review in accordance with 36 CFR 251 Subpart C, in the case of decisions regarding written instruments authorizing occupancy and use of National Forest System lands. Any appeal of this decision must include the information required by 36 CFR 251.90 (content of notice of appeal) including the reasons for appeal and must be filed with George A. Morris, Forest Supervisor, Manti-La Sal National Forest, 599 West Price River Drive, Price, Utah 84501 within 45 days of the date of this decision. A copy of the notice of appeal must be filed simultaneously with Ira W. Hatch, District Ranger, Price Ranger District, 599 West Price River Drive, Price, Utah 84501.

If you have concerns about this decision, please contact me so that I can hear and discuss those concerns with you. My phone number is (801) 637-2817.

Approved by:



Ira W. Hatch  
District Ranger

Date:

