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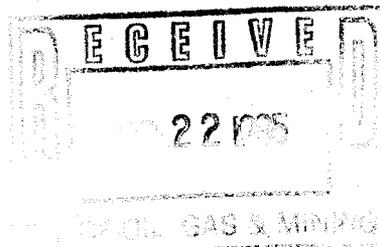
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RE: Change of Mining Methods - From Continuous to Longwall Mining, Crandall
Canyon Mine, Genwal Coal Company, ACT/015/032-95C, Folder #2, Emery County,
Utah

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Dear Pam,

We have reviewed Genwal's proposed change to longwall mining for their Crandall Canyon Mining and Reclamation Plan, and DOGM's Technical Analysis of the proposal. The DOGM analysis was very thorough, and we agree with it completely. We have the following additional comments:

✓ Page 7, Pumping from Crandall Creek

Genwal has committed to not dewater Crandall Creek. They should actually commit to maintaining a minimum in-stream flow, which will be determined during 1995.

✓ Page 7, Water Quality Impacts

Genwal is aware that they are impacting Crandall Creek by the salt used for ice removal and by coal dust. Both these items must be addressed and appropriate mitigation proposed. The coal dust may become more of a problem as coal production increases from 1.6 million tons per year to approximately 2.5 million tons per year.

Please contact Dale Harber at (801) 637-2817 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

L. Janette Archibezque

for
ARRON L. HOWE
Acting Forest Supervisor