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Re: Southern Utah Fuel Co. vs. OSM
Notice of Violation No. 79-V-5-3
Docket No. DV-9-13-R

Dear Mr. Penney:

This will serve to inform you of the status of Southern Utah Fuel Company's compliance with the above referenced Notice of Violation.

In regard to Violation No. 1, on May 11, 1979 the current mining permit to operate the mine was identified and placed in an easily accessible location so that it would be available for inspection at any time.

As to Violation No. 2, failure to grade road cuts, mine entry cuts and other surface work areas, the following work has been done:

- (a) The slide behind the office building was stabilized and regraded by Rodney Rasmussen Co., the work was completed on July 5, 1979.
- (b) The access road to the 10,000 gallon water tank was graded and stabilized. The work, which was done by the Rodney Rasmussen Co., included the installation of water bars on the road and was completed on July 6, 1979.
- (c) The slopes behind the office and warehouse, the run of the mine stockpile and the fill slope face were seeded (hydro-mulched) by Steve Ellis & Sons on July 6, 1979 to meet specifications approved by the U. S. Forest Service and the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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A request for extension of time for abatement has been filed in regard to Violation No. 3, which required that plans for the construction of sedimentation ponds be submitted by July 10, 1979.

In order to abate Violation No. 4, failure to dispose of excess rock and earth materials in an approved area, SUFCO will no longer dispose of any excess rock and/or earth materials resulting from underground mining or construction at a surface site, but will store such materials underground in accordance with MSHA regulations. It is not expected that excess rock and earth materials will be produced from surface activities at the mine site, but if this is not the case, the excess material will be disposed of underground, also.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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