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REGISTERED RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Kerry Frame
Southern Utah Fuel Company
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Salina, Utah 84654

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Dear Mr. Frame:

During the May 20, 1981 inspection, you requested the Division's opinion regarding who would be responsible for surface compliance under UMC 817 et al., in the case where the Knight Mine affects surface owned by Coastal States during exploration activities. In this case, Knight would clearly be responsible for surface compliance. It would, of course, be to your benefit to write into your agreement with them a clause regarding environmental compliance.

During our field tour, we visited the borrow area which was affected in the road repair activity. I was pleased to see the overall state of this area and felt that you had addressed compliance adequately as we agreed upon during the April 30 inspection. Also, as you recall, any areas found deficit during the inspection would be repaired. I would like to remind you here of our discussion regarding the need to place straw bales on the downslope from the road where moderate erosion is in evidence.

A sample of the discharge from your 72-inch culvert was taken during the inspection. Has this sample been analyzed yet? Could you please send me a copy of the results as I requested at that time?

With regard to your plan to pave the main pad, the Division hereby requests a copy of your air quality permit and associated actions at such time as these matters are finalized as required under UMC 788.19.

Of particular concern was the slope failure below the topsoil stockpile. I am confident from our discussion on this area that work to repair this area will be done prior to the next monthly inspection.

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One last point, the drainage from your material storage pad extension has been addressed via a riprapped channel. However, the drainage from this point to your concrete sediment pond is undefined. Some potential for erosion exists. We discussed options to control drainage from this area. You should submit plans for this as a minor modification of your mine plan area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joseph C. Heflich for", written in dark ink.

THOMAS L. PORTLE
RECLAMATION OFFICER

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