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Re: Notice of Intention to
Commence Coal Exploration
Skutumpah & Rock Cyn. Areas
Sevier County, Utah
CEP/041/002

Dear Mr. Hurst:

Thank you for your letter regarding Coal Search Corporation's proposed coal exploration operations in Sevier County, Utah. The plan does not meet the requirements of Parts 776 and 815 of the Regulations promulgated under the 1979 Act, "Regulation of Coal Mining and Reclamation Operations", Title 40-10-1 et seq., Utah Code Annotated, 1953. The Division hereby requires the following information regarding the exploration plans:

Where will drilling water be obtained? If permits are involved, please provide a list.

Access to drill holes numbered 6, 23, 24 and 25 may prove questionable. In what condition is the "pack trail" presently? Because hole #23 is on Forest Service land I would ask their advise on the use of this entry way. How would sedimentation effects be addressed above Skutumpah Canyon if this access is installed? (UMC 817.171-176)

Access to Hole #29 appears to be quite steep, what gradient is involved? (UMC 817.172)

In what condition are the present access trails to the sites of holes 30, 31 and 32?

Are any problems anticipated in securing the surface owner's record permission prior to drilling? Why has it not already been acquired?

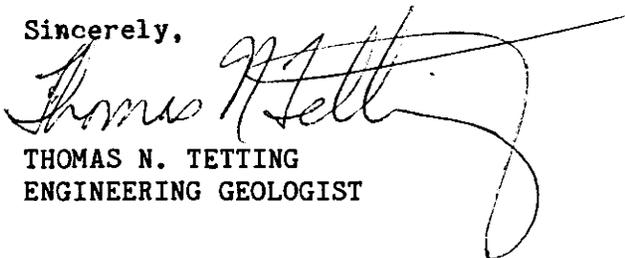
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Because of the proximity of hole #19 to the Acord Lakes, I would request extra care be taken by the drilling operator during exploration.

Is Coal Search Corporation the surface owner for holes numbered 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19 and 22?

The Division will suspend review of Coal Search Corporation's exploration plan until the requested information is submitted. Thank you for your cooperation. If any questions should arise please call me.

Sincerely,



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