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Mr. Kerry Frame, Chief Engineer
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RE: Mining Under a Perennial
Stream, Quitchupah Creek
Convulsion Canyon Mine
ACT/041/002
Sevier County, Utah

Dear Kerry:

A recent report from one of our Field Specialists stated that Southern Utah Fuel Company would be extending its mining operations under Quitchupah Creek, a perennial stream, in the near future as mentioned in the mine plan.

Some concerns have been generated as to the depth that mining operations will take place below the stream channel. To ensure compliance with UMC 784.14 and 784.20, the Division is requesting that information and calculations concerning the depth of mining activity below the creek, the amount and type of overburden and the pillar strength be submitted prior to undermining the stream.

If there are any questions or comments, please contact me or David Darby.

Sincerely,

JAMES W. SMITH, JR.
COORDINATOR OF MINED
LAND DEVELOPMENT

cc: Vernal Mortensen, Coastal States Energy
Ken Wyatt, DOGM
Dave Darby, DOGM

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