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July 15, 1985

Mr. J. Kent Taylor
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Fishlake National Forest
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Richfield, Utah 84701

Dear Mr. Taylor:

RE: Southern Utah Fuel Company, Convulsion Canyon Mine,
ACT/041/002, #2, Sevier County, Utah

I am in receipt of your letter dated July 8, 1985 wherein the subject of the upgrade to the electrical service to the Southern Utah Fuel Company's (SUFCO) Convulsion Canyon Mine was discussed.

You voiced a concern that the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining was providing SUFCO, hence Utah Power & Light Company (UP&L), with construction standards possibly in conflict with those being established by the U. S. Forest Service. I hasten to assure you that the Division's letter of June 12 (copy enclosed) does not address standards for SUFCO's program outside of SUFCO's Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP) permit area. A review of the enclosed letter will verify the specific regulations (thus the Division's authority) for verification of construction standards within the MRP permit area.

I hope this clarifies this situation for you.

Sincerely,

Lowell P. Braxton
Administrator
Mineral Resource Development
and Reclamation Program

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Enclosure
cc: Wayne Hedberg
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June 12, 1985

Mr. Kerry A. Frame
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P. O. Box P
Salina, Utah 84654

Dear Mr. Frame:

RE: MRP Amendment, Request to Upgrade Mine Electrical Power
Supply Line and Substation, Convulsion Canyon Mine,
ACT/041/002, #3, Sevier County, Utah

The Division has completed its review of Southern Utah Fuel Company's (SUFCO) April 15, 1985 request to upgrade the electrical power supply line and substation at the Convulsion Canyon Mine site.

The following concerns must be addressed prior to completion of the review and approval for this proposal:

UMC 784.13 Reclamation Plan

SUFCO has failed to provide a reclamation plan which encompasses this proposal. The Company must provide said plan or refer to the appropriate section in the Permit Application Package (PAP).

UMC 800.11 Bonding

SUFCO has not included or referenced a cost estimate for reclamation for this proposal. A cost estimate must be provided by the Company and submitted for approval by the Division.

UMC 817.21(c) Topsoil

The upper six inches of soil material must be removed in areas of thin topsoil. The operator must commit to removing at least six inches of suitable growth medium (i.e., combination of topsoil and subsoil as necessary).

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UMC 817.43(d) Hydrologic Balance

The substation area has had a history of minor slumping problems. Therefore, the following condition is required. If the construction activity at the substation area initiates slope failure, the operator will be required to install stabilization measures (e.g., retaining wall and/or subdrains) within 60 days of said failure. The operator may propose what stabilization measures are to be implemented at the site.

UMC 817.89 Noncoal Wastes

The containment berm around the substation must be at least six inches in height. The berm will provide total containment of both the 10-year, 24-hour rainfall volume and the volume of transformer oil with a safety factor of 3.

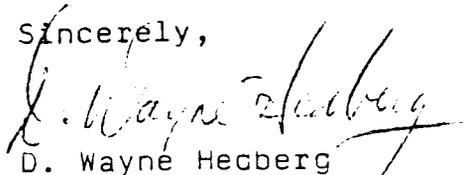
UMC 817.97(c) Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Values

Any new power poles (as discussed in the April 15, 1985 letter) must be constructed as per raptor protection standards. Once the operator has addressed these concerns, the Division will complete the review and approval process.

Upon final approval, an appropriate number of approved plans to include revised text and maps will need to be provided for distribution to all appropriate review agencies for inclusion into the approved PAPs on file.

Thank you very much for your cooperation. Should questions or comments arise concerning this review, please contact us at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,


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