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Dr. Dianne Nielson, Director  
Utah Division of Oil, Gas, & Mining  
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ATTN: Susan Linner

Dear Dr. Nielson:

This letter is in response to Southern Utah Fuel Company's PAP Amendment for a modification of the subsidence zone for the Convulsion Canyon Mine, Sevier County. Because the April, 1987 raptor survey found no raptor nests within the subsidence zone or within a one-half mile buffer zone, and because the Company is monitoring subsidence of the escarpments, we feel no further protective stipulations for raptors are necessary at this time.

We appreciate this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Robert G. Ruesink  
Acting State Supervisor