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DIVISION OF
OIL, GAS & MINING

Dear Mr. May:

RE: SMALL AREA EXEMPTION RESPONSE AND EMERGENCY DIVERSION AT FAN

The Division's December 2, 1988 deficiency review of Southern Utah Fuel Company's small area exemption status request for the sediment pond topsoil pile requested additional items be submitted. The following information is submitted in response to the Division's request:

Item #1 - The total disturbed acreage of the current permitted operation is 17 acres.

Item #2 - The acreage of the approved small area exemption is 0.188 acres and the area of the proposed small area exemption for the topsoil pile 0.105 acres for a total of 0.293 acres. This is only 1.7% of the total disturbed acreage of the current permitted operation.

Item #3 - The topsoil stockpile area has been included on the Mine Drainage Diversion map. It is identified as a small area exemption.

During a meeting on September 8, 1988 at the Division's offices in Salt Lake City with Ken May, Randy Harden, and Lynn Kunzler of DOGM and Ken Payne and Wess Sorensen of Southern Utah Fuel Company, approval was given to construct an emergency drop drain structure at the main mine fan and submit as built information to the Division. This emergency drop drain was needed because when the East Spring Canyon bypass culvert trash rack plugs up with debris during a very large flow event the main mine fan controls have been flooded. Normal runoff for the 10 year, 24 hour event into this low fan area is handled by the main mine fan diversion pump. This emergency secondary drop drain structure has been built and consists of a large 3.5 foot square drop drain with an oil skimmer cap dropping into a 48" CMP culvert. The drop drain is installed such that a 1.5 foot free board is maintained above the normal operating level of the pump. This will allow use of the bypass only if the precipitation event is greater than a 10 year, 24 hour event and water ponds to where it flows through the structure.

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Enclosed are 14 copies of the revised pages and map to update the MRP for these two changes. Please approve and insert these revised pages and map in your copies of our Mining and Reclamation Plan to make it current. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Davis at 637-4880.

Sincerely,
SOUTHERN UTAH FUEL COMPANY

K.P. for Ken Payne

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