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TO: Sue Linner, Permit Supervisor

FROM: Daron Haddock, Reclamation Specialist

RE: PAP Amendment, Small Area Exemption, Southern Utah Fuel Co.,
Convulsion Canyon Mine, ACT/041/002-88D, Folder #8, Sevier
County, Utah

SUMMARY:

Southern Utah Fuel Company requested "Small Area Exemption" status for their mine site topsoil stockpile. The request was received at the division office on October 19, 1988. Utah regulations allow for Small Area Exemptions in accordance with Section UMC 817.42 (c).

ANALYSIS:

As noted in the July 19, 1988 inspection report, SUFCO's topsoil pile does not drain to a sediment pond. It is actually located just below the main mine sediment pond. During the July inspection, the operator was given 90 days to address this area as a Small Area Exemption. This submittal was made in response to that request.

The subject of alternate sediment control was addressed in the submittal which consists of revised pages 25 and 31 for incorporation into the MRP. The topsoil pile is protected by a vegetative cover and has a silt fence installed below it. The alternate sediment control appears to be adequate as the stockpile has been in place for a number of years with no evidence of erosion.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that due to the small area involved and the alternate sediment control in place, Small Area Exemption status be allowed for the mine topsoil stockpile.

SUFCO must continue to maintain the alternate sediment control as described in the MRP pages as revised.