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Mr. Mike Davis  
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Re: Temporary Stockpiling of Underground Development Wastes at the Salina Yard, File #2, ACT/041/002, Convulsion Canyon Mine, Sevier County, Utah

Dear Mr. Davis:

Last month you discussed the stockpiling of development waste at your Salina Yard, with Division inspector Holland Shepherd. At that time, Mr. Shepherd indicated that the Division is concerned that additional steps need to be taken to ensure environmental protection at the Salina storage site. It is my understanding that you both discussed the precautions that are necessary to limit environmental impact resulting from the storage of these materials; therefore, the Division asks that you consider the following:

1. Construct simple, sediment controls around the stockpiled material to provide containment. Such structures could be formed of berms, strawbales, silt fence, and/or others.

2. Provide the Division with material analyses sufficient to evaluate the quality of the material being stored at the Salina Yard. The Division has been given a copy of an analysis performed on September 18, 1987. All parameters are acceptable except that of boron, which is rated at 6.13 ppm. Our guidelines indicate that boron above 5.0 ppm is toxic. We will need a follow-up evaluation of the material. We also need to develop a timetable for more frequent evaluations of the material being taken from the mine to the Salina Yard. We suggest a monthly analysis.

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3. Provide the Division with a record of the monthly volume of underground development wastes taken to the Salina Yard.

Sincerely,

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