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**CERTIFIED MAIL
(Return Receipt Requested)**

Mr. Keith W. Welch
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

RE: Southern Utah Fuel Company
UPDES Permit No. UT0022918

Dear Mr. Welch:

Under the requirements of the Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination system (UPDES), the Bureau of Water Pollution Control must prepare a Quarterly Noncompliance Report (QNCR) for the EPA. Certain violations or instances of noncompliance, as defined by the regulations of 40 CFR 123.45, must be included in the QNCR. Chronic violations must be reported if the monthly average permit limits are exceeded any four months in a six month period. Based on the discharge monitoring reports submitted to our office, Southern Utah Fuel Company (SUFCo) has exceeded their monthly average permit limit for total dissolved solids (TDS) five times in the past six months. Therefore, SUFCo will be included on the QNCR for the period July 1, 1990, to September 30, 1990.

Since you are in violation of your UPDES permit we are requiring you to submit the following information to our office within 30 days of receipt of this letter:

1. A description of the potential causes for the high TDS concentrations being discharged.
2. A description of any changes in dust control procedures.
3. A summary of any steps being taken by SUFCO to reduce the TDS concentration in the effluent.

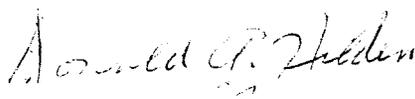
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SUFCo's UPDES permit expires on July 31, 1991. If you feel the permit should be modified to allow for an increased TDS limitation, please request so at this time. If this is the case, you must submit an updated salinity study demonstrating compliance with the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum's 1982 Intercepted Ground Water Policy. This must be submitted to our Bureau by March 1, 1991, so that we may evaluate it prior to drafting and issuing your new permit.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary DeLoretto or Steve McNeal at 538-6146.

Sincerely,



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