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Mr. George Morris, Forest Supervisor
U. S. Forest Service
Manti-LaSal National Forest
599 West Price River Road
Price, Utah 84501

Re: Seed Mix for Exploration Sites, Coastal States Energy Company, Convulsion Canyon Mine, ACT/041/002, Folder #2, Sevier County, Utah

Dear Mr. Morris:

Recently Southern Utah Fuel Company received approval for an exploration drilling project at the Convulsion Canyon Mine. The Forest Service placed stipulations on the project which conflicted with the State Coal Regulatory Program. Our staff has been working with personnel from your office to alleviate the conflict. The enclosed memo outlines the agreements that were made. Please review the memo and verify whether or not these changes to Stipulation 3 are acceptable to the Forest Service.

Thank you for your help in completing this project. If you have any questions, please call me or Paul Baker.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daron R. Haddock".

Daron R. Haddock
Permit Supervisor

Enclosure

cc: P. Baker
P. Grubaugh-Littig

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TO: Daron Haddock, Permit Supervisor
 FROM: Paul Baker, Reclamation Biologist *PB*
 RE: Seed Mix for Exploration Sites, Convulsion Canyon Mine, Coastal States Energy Company, ACT/041/002, Working File, Sevier County, Utah

On July 20, 1994, the Division approved SUFCo's exploration plan with the incorporation of Forest Service stipulations with the exception of Stipulation 3. Stipulation 3 was the seed mixture. The seed mixture stipulated by the Forest Service did not meet State Coal Regulatory Program Requirements. I have worked with Forest Service personnel to develop a seed mixture that better conforms to the State Program requirements. It is as follows:

		Pounds PLS/Acre
Western Wheatgrass	<i>Elymus smithii</i>	2
Basin Wild Rye	<i>Elymus cinereus</i>	1
Intermediate Wheatgrass	<i>Elymus hispidus</i>	2
"Paiute" Orchardgrass	<i>Dactylis glomeratus</i>	2
Yellow Sweet Clover	<i>Melilotus officinalis</i>	1
"Rambler" Alfalfa	<i>Medicago sativa</i>	1
Blueleaf Aster	<i>Aster glaucodes</i>	1/4
Lewis Flax	<i>Linum lewisii</i>	1/2
Mountain Big Sage	<i>Artemisia tridentata vaseyana</i>	1/4
Bitterbrush	<i>Purshia tridentata</i>	1

Another part of the stipulation was that seed had to have a PLS rating of 99%. This is impossible to achieve. It was agreed in principle that if SUFCo would commit in the mining and reclamation plan to only use seed sold in compliance with the State Seed Act, the Forest Service could drop this part of the stipulation. The Forest Service needs to confirm this position.