

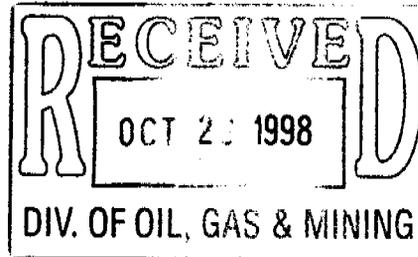
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State of Utah
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
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ACT/041/002
#4

Subject: Canyon Fuel Company, LLC
Permit No. ACT/041/002
Bond No. U2760730 (United Pacific Insurance Company)

Dear Gentperson:

We are the insurance brokerage firm representing Atlantic Richfield Company. As you are probably aware, Atlantic Richfield Company has sold its interest in Canyon Fuel Company, LLC to Arch Coal Company several months ago.

It is our understanding that Arch Coal has arranged for the replacement of the above mentioned bond issued by United Pacific Insurance Company. The replacement bond was issued May 29, 1998 and is referenced as bond number 14-000-068-0001-UT through Liberty Mutual Insurance Company.

Atlantic Richfield Company and United Pacific Insurance Company have a continued concern in the above mentioned bond until such time as they have received a release letter for United Pacific Insurance Company's bond number U2760730. Please confirm that the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company bond number 14-000-068-0001-UT has been filed and accepted by your department and, as such, the United Pacific Insurance Company bond number U2760730 may be released by signing below and returning this letter to my attention in the enclosed postage paid return envelope.

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United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management

If you should have any questions or need anything further to comply with our request, please feel free to contact me at (213)346-5296. Thank you, in advance, for your prompt attention to this matter.

Best regards,



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The State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, hereby acknowledges the receipt and acceptance of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company's bond number 14-000-068-0001-UT. United Pacific Insurance Company's bond number U2760730 is hereby released as of the effective date of the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company bond.

Date: 5/29/98

By: 
Title: Brent Ruppel

cc: Julia Fisher - Atlantic Richfield Company
Lisa Chua - United Pacific Insurance Company