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Utah Coal Regulatory Program  
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining  
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ACT/041/002 #2  
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Re: Link Canyon Substation Relocation Amendment

Dear Permit Supervisor:

SUFCO Mine permitted and constructed the Link Canyon Substation Pad with associated boreholes for a power supply into the mine. As you are aware underground difficulties have made it impossible to go ahead with the project as permitted. The first in mine borehole to the surface encountered a hot void 650 ft from its collar location in the 4 East mains. This area was underneath the Upper Hiawatha Coal Seam and was believed to be in one of the Lower Hiawatha Coal Seams. Temperatures in excess of 180°F were encountered. These temperatures are higher than allowable for the power cable so this hole was abandoned and plugged with cement.

Because the power supply is critical for longwall mining in our next longwall panel and the Pines Lease, we are continuing to pursue installing a substation in Link Canyon. SUFCO received approval on October 15, 1999 to move the location of the punch out about 0.4 miles up the canyon to a new site and that the hole be allowed to punch out as previously approved. The new punch out site is adjacent to the Link Canyon Road and is located on the old tramway bench of the Link Canyon Mine just south of the road. The existing turn out off the road at the site was lengthened by about 30 ft to construct a 20 ft wide x 30 ft long pad at the south end of the turn out. Soils in this area had all ready been disturbed and disseminated from the old Link Canyon Mine. A conscientious effort was made to store soil material where it can be reclaimed.

SUFCO would like to extend the power line the additional 0.4 miles up the canyon and to relocate and build the substation pad on the existing tramway bench immediately adjacent to the new breakout location. It is believed this would be a better plan to have everything at one location instead of having the substation at the present approved area and needing to approve an additional 10'x10' structure at the new location for electrical switch gear.

In an onsite discussion with representatives of the USFS and DOGM on October 12, 1999, it is believed that the power line extension and substation relocation could be part of a modification to the EA for the existing project. If the new site is approved, SUFCO would reclaim the existing approved Link Canyon Substation No. 1 pad site.

If you have any questions, please contact Mike Davis at (435) 637-4880.

Sincerely,  
CANYON FUEL COMPANY, LLC  
SUFCO Mine

Kenneth E. May  
General Manager

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# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT PROCESSING

Permit Change <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	New Permit <input type="checkbox"/>	Renewal <input type="checkbox"/>	Transfer <input type="checkbox"/>	Exploration <input type="checkbox"/>	Bond Release <input type="checkbox"/>	Permit Number: ACT/041/002
Title of Proposal: Link Canyon Substation Relocation Amendment						Mine: SUFCO MINE
						Permittee: CANYON FUEL CO., LLC

Description, include reason for application and timing required to implement: Due to encountering burned coal, voids, and high temperatures the Link Canyon Substation needs to be relocated. SUFCO Mine needs approval as soon as possible to be able to install the substaion this year.

**Instructions:** If you answer yes to any of the first 8 questions (gray), submit the application to the Salt Lake Office. Otherwise, you may submit it to your reclamation specialist.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	1. Change in the size of the Permit Area? _____ acres Disturbed Area? <u>0.21</u> acres <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> increase <input type="checkbox"/> decrease.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	2. Is the application submitted as a result of a Division Order? DO #
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	3. Does application include operations outside a previously identified Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Area?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	4. Does application include operations in hydrologic basins other than as currently approved?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	5. Does application result from cancellation, reduction or increase of insurance or reclamation bond?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	6. Does the application require or include public notice/publication?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	7. Does the application require or include ownership, control, right-of-entry, or compliance information?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	8. Is proposed activity within 100 feet of a public road or cemetery or 300 feet of an occupied dwelling?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	9. Is the application submitted as a result of a Violation? NOV #
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	10. Is the application submitted as a result of other laws or regulations or policies? Explain:
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	11. Does the application affect the surface landowner or change the post mining land use?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	12. Does the application require or include underground design or mine sequence and timing? (Modification of R2P2?)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	13. Does the application require or include collection and reporting of any baseline information?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	14. Could the application have any effect on wildlife or vegetation outside the current disturbed area?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	15. Does application require or include soil removal, storage or placement?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	16. Does the application require or include vegetation monitoring, removal or revegetation activities?
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	19. Does the application require or include certified designs, maps, or calculations?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	20. Does the application require or include subsidence control or monitoring?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	21. Have reclamation costs for bonding been provided for?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	22. Does application involve a perennial stream, a stream buffer zone or discharges to a stream?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X No	23. Does the application affect permits issued by other agencies or permits issued to other entities?

X Attach 8 complete copies of the application.

I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments, undertakings, and obligations, herein. (R645-301-123)

*Kenneth E. May*  
Signed - Kenneth E. May, General Manager - Date 12/1/99

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1999.

*Ella Ruth Wayman*  
Notary Public



**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
**ELLA RUTH WAYMAN**  
30 North 500 West  
Aurora, Utah 84602  
My Commission Expires  
March 19, 2003  
**STATE OF UTAH**

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## Application for Permit Processing Detailed Schedule of Changes to the MRP

Title of Application: **Link Canyon Substation Relocation Amendment**

Permit Number: **ACT/041/002**

Mine: **SUFCO MINE**

Permittee: **CANYON FUEL CO., LLC**

Provide a detailed listing of all changes to the mining and reclamation plan which will be required as a result of this proposed permit application. Individually list all maps and drawings which are to be added, replaced, or removed from the plan. Include changes of the table of contents, section of the plan, pages, or other information as needed to specifically locate, identify and revise the existing mining and reclamation plan. **Include page, section and drawing numbers as part of the description.**

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<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Pages 1-36 and 1-37 in Chapter 1, Volume 1 of MRP.
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Pages 2-2ii, 2-2iii, 2-2, 2-3, 2-8, and 2-10 to 2-22 in Chapter 2, Volume 1 of MRP.
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Pages 3-34, and 3-35 in Chapter 3, Volume 1 of MRP.
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<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Pages 7-28 to 29A, 7-47, 7-51 to 7-56, 7-58 to 7-61, 7-69, and 7-73 to 7-75 in Chapter 7, Volume 2 of MRP.
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Cultural Resource Evaluation addendum at back of Link Canyon Substation evaluation in Appendix 4-2, Volume 6 of MRP.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Add new pages of Revised Bond calculations at the front of Appendix 5-9, Volume 6 of MRP.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Add new pages of diversion ditch calculations at the back of Appendix 7-12, Volume 10 of MRP
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Any other specific or special instructions required for insertion of this proposal into the Mining and Reclamation Plan?

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