

From: John Blake
To: Wayne Hedberg
Date: 12/1/2005 3:31:02 PM
Subject: Re: Muddy Tract R2P2

We recently received the operator's response. SITLA approves the R2P2, subject to some additional comments that we will make directly to the Company about recovering barrier pillars at the end-of-life of the mine. We would like DOGM to go ahead now and approve the mining permit. Thanks.

>>> Wayne Hedberg 11/21/05 11:23 AM >>>

Thank you John for the update and copy of the deficiency letter. Please let us know when you receive the operator's response.

Thanks again,
Wayne

>>> John Blake 11/21/2005 11:05 AM >>>

Attached is the letter I sent to Ken May. Sorry I didn't copy you. I have had not yet received a reply.