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**CERTIFIED MAIL
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Mr. Gene DiClaudio, President
Canyon Fuel Company, LLC
225 North Fifth Street, 9th Floor
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Dear Mr. DiClaudio:

Subject: Salinity-Offset Program Participation Plan for UPDES Permit No. UT0022918-SUFCO Mine

We are in receipt of your plan entitled; "*Colorado River Salinity Offset Program Participation Plan, Canyon Fuel Company, LLC, SUFCO Mine*" dated November 6, 2014. We appreciate your efforts to submit in a timely manner this program plan, which includes an example TDS tracking spreadsheet, as appropriate for tracking the salinity offset credits on a monthly basis to be consistent with your DMR submittals.

This Salinity Offset Program Participation Plan is hereby approved and will now be appended to the SUFCO Mine UPDES permit as appropriate and along with all of the requirements, conditions and limitations of the existing permit, is in full force and effect. Under separate cover, a formal Funding Agreement will also be sent to you for finalizing. Upon receipt, please continue your efforts towards finalizing the Funding Agreement, which will further formalize your commitment to this Salinity Offset Program Participation Plan.

If you have any questions with regards to this matter, please contact Jeff Studenka of this office at (801) 536-4395 or by e-mail at jstudenka@utah.gov.

Sincerely,



Walter L. Baker, P.E.
Director

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