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Attn: Daron R. Haddock, Permit Supervisor

Gentlemen:

Per our agreement made verbally, we now request an extension of time of three weeks from the above date for further exploration of the Boyer Mine, CEP/043/008-91A, Folder #3, Summit County, Utah.

After receipt of your approval letter dated July 5, 1991 we did excavate the portals at the Boyer Mine. In your presence we discovered that the center portal was caved and entry could not be made. We excavated the East Portal and found it was not caved. Visual inspection indicated that the roof was in good condition and that further exploration could be made. Although our mining men from West Virginia were satisfied with their visit they wanted to know more and are planing to make another visit to do so.

In the meantime, we have secured the portals and the ventilation shafts with chain link fencing and "No Entry" signs. We have also placed a 36" pipe in the access and packed it with dirt. We have arranged for a 42" ventilation fan to be powered by a 50 KV generator. We will operate this fan for several days before another inspection to assure proper ventilation. We have also put in place the vent tubing for attachment to the fan. Brattice cloth will be placed over the access pipe to force air into the mine.

We have sent a FAX to William A. Holgate, District Manager, U. S. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration in Denver, Colorado asking for a three week extension. We, as yet, have received no reply for our request dated July 16, 1991.

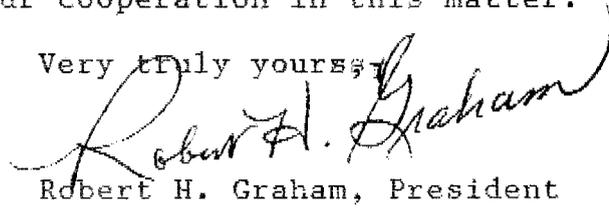
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Our experienced mining people will not go into any areas unless the roof is properly supported and the area has adequate ventilation. There was no indication of methane in the previous exploration. The Mine Flame Safety Lamp will be in use again. You will be notified of our next exploration and be invited to be present.

This visit will permit our mining people to make a final decision about their interest in mining coal in Utah.

Again we appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert H. Graham". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Robert H. Graham, President

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