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April 18, 1978

Memo to File:

Re: Utah West Mining & Development
Delta Mine
Emery County
ACT/015/020

Mr. Max Bentley, of Central Oil and Mining, the owner of the Delta Mine, visited with Division personnel on April 18, 1978 to discuss the approval status for this operation. His concern is that the operators, Utah West Mining and Development (sublessee) and Gilled Southeastern (lessee), have commenced strip mining without final approval and he, as owner, may become liable for any reclamation work should a new lease agreement not be worked out upon expiration of the current lease in August 1978.

A field inspection was tentatively set for April 25, 1978 so that the Division can expedite the approval process. Access to the mine is from I-70 between Ferron and Green River (see southeast central Utah map 2).

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