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Mr. Bob Shajary, Plant Manager
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Dear Mr. Shajary:

Re: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, B & J/Eagle Canyon Project, S/015/050, Emery County, Utah

Thank you for your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, received by the Division on May 3, 1991. The applications for the proposed B & J/Eagle Canyon project, located in the NW/4 of the SW/4 of Section 19, T22S, R9E, SLBM, is complete and no additional information is required at this time.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices", and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (attachments SMO-1 and SMO-2).

Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (attachment SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Because of the recent inactive status of the B & J project and the existing disturbance of less than 5 acres, the Division has decided to reclassify the site as a Small Mine Operation. As soon as the site is reactivated and starts developing towards the 5 acre limit, Georgia Pacific must re-initiate the process towards Large Mine Operations approval.

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Please be advised that the State Division of Environmental Health may also require certain permits for your proposed operation. For further information regarding their permitting requirements, you may contact the Division of Environmental Health at (801) 538-6121; their mailing address is Utah State Department of Health, Division of Environmental Health, 288 North 1460 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-0690.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

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