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CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT
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Gregory M. Wold
Cargill Incorporated
Salt Business Unit
15100 West Rowley Road
Grantsville, Utah 84074

Re: Formal Approval of Replacement Reclamation Surety, Cargill, Incorporated, Cargill Salt Mine, M/045/030, Tooele County, Utah

Dear Mr. Wold:

On November 29, 2002, the Division received a Notice of Termination from St. Paul Surety, stating the surety bond had been replaced by a Safeco Bond. We received the Safeco bond on December 6, 2002. On January 29, 2003, we received a replacement Reclamation Contract which is directly tied to the surety bond.

On February 4, 2003, the Director of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining formally approved the form and amount of replacement reclamation surety for Cargill Inc.'s Cargill Salt mine. The reclamation surety in the amount of $1,919,000 is in the form of a surety bond issued by Safeco Insurance Company of America, which replaces the St. Paul Fire and Marine surety bond. The bond amount is calculated and escalated to year 2005 dollars.

The Division hereby grants its final approval of replacement reclamation surety for the Cargill Salt Mine. We have enclosed a copy of the replacement Safeco surety bond and Reclamation Contract for your files. We have also enclosed, for your disposal or return to the surety company, the original St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company bond. Also enclosed is the original Reclamation Contract that accompanied the St. Paul surety bond for your disposal.

Thank you for finalizing this permitting action. Please call me if you have any questions in this regard.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg

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Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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Enclosure: #1 - copy of Safeco surety & replacement RC
#2 - Original St. Paul bond and RC
cc: John Blake, SITLA w/Encl #1
Glen Carpenter, BLM, SLFO w/Encl #1
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