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Subject: Correction to Response to Comment Letter, Earth Energy Resources, PR Springs Mine, M/047/0090, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Weisheit:

I would like to correct an error in my May 10, 2010, response to your comments about the PR Springs mine. In items 3, 4, and 11 as enumerated in my letter, I stated that the operator has committed to zero discharge of surface water. This statement is accurate for the plant site and mine pit but not for most other areas.

As shown in Figure 2a, sand tailings will initially be placed in impoundment cells with over- and interburden with a slight reverse gradient. Sediment and runoff from outcrops of overburden and interburden storage areas will be controlled by facing the steepest portions with coarse overburden and establishing vegetation and by installing a riprapped energy dissipater at the toe. With a few exceptions, these outcrops will be about 2.5-3.0H:1.0V which is not overly steep. Processed sand will be placed in the pit (which is self contained) when adequate space becomes available.

Erosion and offsite sedimentation from roads will be controlled using coir rolls, stone check dams, or other check features in road ditches.

I apologize for this error. Please call me at 801-538-5261 if you have questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

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