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Dear Mr. Daehling:

3200 County Rd. 31 Rifle, Colorado 81650

Natural Soda Inc.

Attention: Kirk Daehling

We have reviewed your September 2, 2014 request to construct a power line from an approved power line to the WSW-4 pad. The proposed project is located in Township 1 South, Range 98 West; Section 25, Lot 4 of the 6th P.M. This project is considered to be a minor modification to the approved "Natural Soda 2010 Mine Plan and Environmental Monitoring Plan" and is approved with the following conditions of approval:

- Power lines shall be constructed in accordance with most current avian protection standards, for example, those designs presented in "Suggested Practices for Avian Protection on Power Lines, The State of the Art in 2006", Avian Power Line Interaction Committee, Edison Electric Institute and California Energy Commission (2006) (www.aplic.org). The holder shall assume the burden and expense of proving that pole designs deviating from those shown in the above publication provide effective electrocution and line-strike protection for birds. Such proof shall be provided by a subject-matter expert approved by the AO. The BLM reserves the right to require modifications or additions to all power line structures placed on this ROW, should they be necessary to ensure the safety of large birds. Such modifications and/or additions shall be made by the holder without liability or expense to the United States.
- 2. All activities shall comply with the approved "Natural Soda 2010 Mine Plan and Environmental Monitoring Plan".

If there any questions, please contact Paul Daggett Mining Engineer at (970) 878-3819.

Sincerely. Ar. Walt

Kent Walter Field Manager