

November 9, 2017

Dustin Czapla Colorado Division of Reclamation and Mining Safety Grand Junction Field Office 101 South 3rd, Suite 301 Grand Junction, CO 81501

RE: Colona Pit: DRMS File No. M-94-005

Dear Mr. Czapla:

This letter is to clarify and confirm the Division of Water Resources has no objections to a proposal by United Companies to manage groundwater inflow into south side of the Colona Gravel Pit (see Figure 1, reference map) by capturing, controlling and channelizing the seepage water in an open ditch and directing it to the north part of the gravel pit, which exposes groundwater. The captured seepage water will then comingle with the water in more northern and exposed pit well. In the alternative, United Companies may choose to construct a French drain collection system to accomplish the same purpose.

I met with Peter Siegmund onsite October 13, 2017 and discussed these alternatives with him in detail. Either alternative is acceptable and must be fully described in any future water court request for approval of a plan for augmentation. Please contact me if you have any further questions or need more clarification from this office.

Sincerely,

Bob W. Hurford, P.E. **Division Engineer**

CC: Peter Siegmund, Vice President Oldcastle SW Group Inc., dba United Companies 2273 River Road PO Box 3609 Grand Junction, CO 81502

Enclosure: Figure 1, reference map

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