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Re: Proposed Decision Permit Renewal Application No. 6 (RN-6) New Horizon Mine (Permit No. C-1981-008)

To Whom It May Concern:

Please publish the attached legal notice in the *San Miguel Basin Forum* once per week for two consecutive weeks beginning as soon as possible. For reimbursement, please send the invoice and proof of publication to Ms. Mary Rodriguez of our office at the above address. For questions regarding the publication, please contact me.

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Thank you for your cooperation.

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Enclosure

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED DECISION

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety proposes to Approve Permit Renewal Application No. 6 (RN-6), submitted by Western Fuels-Colorado, LLC for a coal mining permit at the New Horizon Mine (Permit No. C-1981-008). The proposed renewal will allow for continued mining and/or reclamation operations at the site.

The New Horizon Mine is a Surface operation located in Montrose County, approximately 1.7 miles NW of Nucla, Colorado. Coal interest is Private, and the surface to be affected is Private land. The permit area encompasses approximately 926.06 acres.

This proposed decision is based on a finding that the proposed operation will comply with all requirements of the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act, Section 34-33-101 *et seq.*, C.R.S., and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

A copy of the "Proposed Decision and Findings of Compliance", including any stipulations, is on file for public inspection at the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Room 215 Centennial Building, 1313 Sherman Street, Denver, Colorado 80203; at the Montrose County Clerk's Office, 161 S. Townsend Ave., Montrose, CO 81401; and at the Montrose County Courthouse Nucla Annex, 300 Main Street, Nucla, CO 81424. Persons with an interest that may be adversely affected by the proposed decision may request a formal hearing before the Mined Land Reclamation Board on the proposed decision. Such request must be made within thirty (30) days of the initial publication of this notice, must be in writing, and must state with reasonable specificity the reasons for the request and the objections to the proposed decision.