

STATE OF COLORADO

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY

Department of Natural Resources

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November 5, 2013

Kathleen G. Welt
Mountain Coal Company, LLC
P.O. Box 591
Somerset, CO 81434

John W. Hickenlooper
Governor

Mike King
Executive Director

Loretta E. Pineda
Director

**Re: West Elk Mine (Permit No. C-1980-007)
Minor Revision No. 401 (MR- 401)
RPEE Drainage Modification.**

Dear Ms. Welt:

Enclosed you will find the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's Decision Form for Minor Revision No. 401 at the West Elk Mine.

Documentation must be submitted to the Division demonstrating that a copy of the approved revision application was sent to the Office of Surface Mining and the Bureau of Land Management. The material should be sent within 15 days of final approval.

Please refer to the Performance Bond heading on the enclosed decision form. If the amount of Bond Held equals or exceeds the Revised Liability, you need not submit additional bond. However, if the Revised Liability exceeds the Bond Held, please submit additional bond or rider to your existing bond that equals or exceeds the Revised Liability. This Minor Revision must not be implemented until any required increase in bond is submitted to and approved by the Division.

If there are stipulations attached, please sign and return the decision form to the Division.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized, cursive 'K' followed by a horizontal line.

James R. Stark
Environmental Protection Specialist
Jim.stark@state.co.us

Enclosure

cc: Jeffrey W. Fleischman, Office of Surface Mining, with enclosures

C-MR-06



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COAL MINING PERMIT - MINOR REVISION DECISION

West Elk Mine, Mountain Coal Company, LLC
Permit No. C-1980-007

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has issued the decision stated below. Any person who has an interest which is or may be adversely affected may request a formal hearing in accordance with Rule 2.08.4(6)(c)(iii).

Minor Revision No. 401

Decision: Approve

Submittal Date: October 24, 2013

Decision Date: November 4, 2013

Description of Revision: RPEE Drainage Modification.

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY PERMITTEE

Andrea L. Brown

Authorized Representative - Division
Date: November 5, 2013

Authorized Representative - Permittee (if applicable)
Date:

CHANGE IN ACREAGE	REVISED TOTAL ACREAGE	PERFORMANCE BOND
Disturbed: 0.00	Disturbed: 597.25	Prior Liability: \$14,093,955.30
Affected: 0.00	Affected: 15,257.60	Change in Liability: \$0.00
Permit: 0.00	Permit: 17,154.90	Revised Liability: \$14,093,955.30
State: 0.00	State: 0.00	Bond Held: \$15,000,000.00
Federal: 0.00	Federal: 11,758.40	
Private: 0.00	Private: 5,396.50	

REVISED APPLICATION PAGES

None

DELETED APPLICATION PAGES

None

REVISED MAPS

Map 54C

DELETED MAPS

None