## STATE OF COLORADO

## DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY Department of Natural Resources

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December 10, 2013

Jeffrey W. Fleischman Office of Surface Mining Western Regional Coordinating Center 1999 Broadway, Suite 3320 Denver, CO 80202

## Re: Yoast Mine (Permit No. C-1994-082) Bond Release Application No. 5 (SL-5)

Dear Mr. Fleischman:

Seneca Coal Company, LLC has applied for a bond release at the Yoast Mine. The bond release application was found complete by this Division on December 3, 2013. Seneca Coal Company is requesting final bond release on a 6.25 acre parcel of land near the north entrance road to the site and the intersection of Routt County Road 27. The surface ownership is Federal, state and private, and the coal mined was Federal and private.

We will contact you to advise you of the Division's required bond release inspection of the site as soon as it has been scheduled. A proposed decision on the application will be issued within sixty (60) days of our inspection.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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