

STATE OF COLORADO

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY

Department of Natural Resources

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John W. Hickenlooper
Governor

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Executive Director

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Director

Re: Yoast Mine (Permit No. C-1994-082)
Bond Release Application No. 5 (SL-5)
Bond No. SB-005

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter, as required by Rule 3.03.2(5)(a) of the Rules and Regulations, is to inform you that the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has issued a proposed decision to Approve Bond Release Application No. 5 for the Yoast Mine. This decision will be published in the *Steamboat Pilot* as soon as possible. Publication of the notice initiates a thirty (30) day public comment period. If, within thirty days, there are no requests for an adjudicatory hearing, the decision will become final.

The bond for the operation is a Self Bond issued by your company (Bond No. SB-005), in the amount of \$2,221,677.26. The proposed release amount is (\$1,493.63).

Please be aware that this notification is not a request to initiate any action by Seneca Coal Company, LLC concerning Bond No. SB-005, and is for your information only. Should Seneca Coal Company, LLC chose to take action with regard to this bond release, they will contact you.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Janet", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Janet H. Binns
Environmental Protection Specialist
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cc: Mary Rodriguez, CDRMS
C-SL-17