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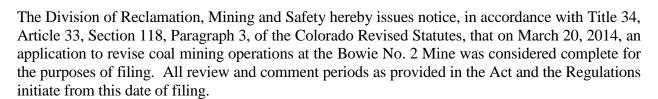Director

March 20, 2014

Ryan Taylor
U.S. Forest Service
Paonia Ranger District
P.O. Box 1030
Paonia, CO 81428

Re: **Bowie No. 2 Mine (Permit No. C-1996-083)**
      Permit Revision Application No. 14 (PR-14)
      Spruce Stomp Lease

Dear Mr. Taylor:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety hereby issues notice, in accordance with Title 34, Article 33, Section 118, Paragraph 3, of the Colorado Revised Statutes, that on March 20, 2014, an application to revise coal mining operations at the Bowie No. 2 Mine was considered complete for the purposes of filing. All review and comment periods as provided in the Act and the Regulations initiate from this date of filing.

Bowie Resources, LLC (BRL) is proposing to incorporate the Spruce Stomp Federal Coal Lease (COC-75916) into the permit area. The federal coal lease addition will allow BRL to mine eight additional longwall panels north of the existing mine area. The permit area will be increased by 1,790.2 acres. The affected area (lands overlying mine workings) will be increased by 1,356.3 acres. BRL is not proposing additional surface disturbance with this revision application.

The Underground coal mining operation is on land located approximately 5 miles Northeast of Paonia, Colorado. The permit area is further described as follows:

Portions of Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 22, Township 13 South, Range 91 West of the 6th P.M. Portions of Sections 33 and 34, Township 12 South, Range 91 West of the 6th P.M.

The above-mentioned tracts of land are shown on the following USGS 7.5 minute Quadrangle map(s): Bowie.

A copy of the revision application is available for public inspection at the Paonia Public Library, P.O. Box 969, Paonia, CO 81428 and at the Division office. For additional information, to provide written comments, or to request an informal conference, contact the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Room 215, 1313 Sherman Street, Denver, Colorado 80203, (303) 866-3567, within thirty (30) days after the last public notice in the *Delta County Independent*.

Sincerely,

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