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**Re:   Bowie No. 2 Mine (Permit No. C-1996-083)  
      Technical Revision Application No. 87 (TR-87)  
      Expand Pond D, Relocate E & W Diversion Ditches**

Dear Mr. Boehms:

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 April 2, 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 expand Pond D, and relocate the diversion ditches upgradient of Gob Pile #2 in advance of a request to expand Gob Pile #2. The proposed expansion of Pond D would result in the removal and destruction of the Coal Sales house associated with the historic King Mine. Five acres of additional disturbance and a reclamation performance bond increase are proposed.

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.

The Division has interpreted 30 CFR 746.18 to determine that this application as submitted does not constitute a Mining Plan Action. If the proposal is significantly changed during our review process, we will consult with you on whether a Mining Plan Action should be initiated and direct the applicant to send the revision application materials to your office for review as necessary.

Sincerely,



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