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**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

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May 12, 2014

Alan Boehms
Office of Surface Mining
Western Regional Coordinating Center
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320
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**Re: Williams Fork Mines (Permit No. C-1981-044)
Technical Revision Application No. 36 (TR-36)
Permit Renewal (RN-6) and Mid-Term (MT-6) Updates and Revisions.**

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 May 12, 2014, an application to revise coal mining operations at the Williams Fork Mines 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.

TR-36 provides responses to adequacy review items identified during the review of the Williams Fork Mines application during Permit Renewal No. 6 and Mid-Term Review No. 6. The applicant is not proposing additional surface disturbance outside of the area currently approved for disturbance.

The underground coal mining operation is on land located approximately 7 miles Southwest of Craig, Colorado. The permit area is further described as follows:

All or portions of Sections 4, 5, 6 and 8, T5N, R91W; part of Section 1, T5N, R92W; and Sections 17, 19, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33, T6N, R91W; portions of Sections 25, 26, 35 and 36, T6N, R92W; 6th Prime Meridian.

The above-mentioned tracts of land are shown on the following USGS 7.5 minute Quadrangle map(s): Round Bottom, Castor Gulch.



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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jared Ebert", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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