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**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

August 21, 2014

Janet Kieler
Colo Dept of Public Health and Environment
Water Quality Control Division Permit Section
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South
Denver, CO 80246-1530

**Re: Seneca II Mine (Permit No. C-1980-005)
Technical Revision No. 53 (TR-53)
Termination of Water Quality Monitoring.**

Dear Ms. Kieler:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety hereby issues notice, in accordance with Title 34, Article 33, Section 116, Paragraph 4, of the Colorado Revised Statutes, that on August 21, 2014 an application to revise coal mining operations at the Seneca II Mine was considered complete for the purposes of filing. The revision was submitted by Seneca Coal Company, LLC. All review and comment periods as provided in the Act and the Regulations initiate from this date of filing.

Technical Revision No. 53 requests the approval for final termination of the water monitoring program as described in the approved mining permit C-1980-005 for the Seneca II Mine. Seneca II Mine proposes to terminate monitoring of four ground water monitoring wells and three surface water monitoring sites. The applicant is not proposing additional surface disturbance outside of the area currently approved for disturbance.

The surface coal mining operation is on land located approximately 9 miles Southeast of Hayden, Colorado. The permit area is further described as follows:

T5N, R87W; Portion of Sections 1 and 12
T5N, R86W: Portion of Sections 6 and 7

T5N, R86W; Portions of Sections 6 and 7.



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

The applicant is required to publish notice in a local newspaper that this application has been deemed complete. At the time of publication of this notice, the applicant is additionally required to place a copy of this application at the Hayden Public Library, 201 E. Jefferson Avenue, Hayden, CO 81639, and at the Division office. For additional information or to provide written comments, contact the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Room 215, 1313 Sherman Street, Denver, Colorado 80203, (303) 866-3567. In order for us to comply with regulatory time frames, we request that comments be submitted within fifteen (15) days of this letter. If no comments are received by then, we will proceed on the assumption that you have no concerns with, or objections to, the applicant's proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason D. Musick", is positioned below the "Sincerely," text.

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