



COLORADO

**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

October 9, 2014

La Plata County Commissioners
County Commissioners
1060 East Second Ave.
Durango, CO 81301

**Re: Carbon Junction Mine (Permit No. C-1992-080)
Permit Revision Application No. 1 (PR-1)
Post Mining Land Use and Final Reclamation**

Dear La Plata County Commissioners:

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 October 9, 2014, a permit revision application for a permit to conduct coal mining operations, Permit No. C-1992-080 by Oakridge Energy, Inc., was considered complete for the purposes of filing. All review and comment periods as provided in the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act and the Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for Coal Mining initiate from this date of filing.

Oakridge Energy, Inc. is proposing to revise the post-mining land use for the Carbon Junction Mine from Industrial / Commercial, Recreational, and Residential to Dryland Pasture. The application also provides additional details regarding final reclamation of the site and features (roads and wells) to be retained as permanent features. The applicant is not proposing additional surface disturbance outside of the area currently approved for disturbance.

The surface coal mining operation is located approximately 2 miles Southeast of Durango, Colorado. The permit area is further described as follows:

Portions of Section 4, Township 34 North, Range 9 West; Section 33, Township 34 ½ North, Range 9 West; and Section 33, Township 35 North, Range 9 West.



The above-mentioned tracts of land are shown on the following USGS 7.5 minute Quadrangle map(s): Durango East, Loma Linda.

A copy of the revision application is available for public inspection at the La Plata County Clerk and Recorder, 98 Everett Street, Suite C, Durango, CO 81303. For additional information, to provide written comments, or 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 days after the last public notice in the *Durango Herald*.

Sincerely,



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