



**COLORADO**

**Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, CO 80203

January 16, 2015

Kathleen G. Welt  
Mountain Coal Company, LLC  
P.O. Box 591  
Somerset, CO 81434

**Re: West Elk Mine (Permit No. C-1980-007)  
Minor Revision No. 407 (MR- 407)  
Midterm Review MT-7 Responses**

Dear Ms. Welt:

Enclosed you will find the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's Decision Form for Minor Revision No. 407 at the West Elk Mine.

Documentation must be submitted to the Division demonstrating that a copy of the approved revision application was sent to the Office of Surface Mining and the Bureau of Land Management. The material should be sent within 15 days of final approval.

Please refer to the Performance Bond heading on the enclosed decision form. If the amount of Bond Held equals or exceeds the Revised Liability, you need not submit additional bond. However, if the Revised Liability exceeds the Bond Held, please submit additional bond or rider to your existing bond that equals or exceeds the Revised Liability. This Minor Revision must not be implemented until any required increase in bond is submitted to and approved by the Division.

If there are stipulations attached, please sign and return the decision form to the Division.



If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a trailing line, representing the name James R. Stark.

James R. Stark  
Environmental Protection Specialist  
Jim.stark@state.co.us

Enclosure

cc: Alan Boehms, Office of Surface Mining, with enclosures

C-MR-06



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### COAL MINING PERMIT - MINOR REVISION DECISION

West Elk Mine, Mountain Coal Company, LLC  
Permit No. C-1980-007

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has issued the decision stated below. Any person who has an interest which is or may be adversely affected may request a formal hearing in accordance with Rule 2.08.4(6)(c)(iii).

Minor Revision No. 407

Decision: Approve

Submittal Date: September 4, 2014

Decision Date: January 16, 2015

Description of Revision: Midterm Review MT-7 Responses

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY PERMITTEE

*Michael P. Boulay*

Authorized Representative - Division  
Date: January 16, 2015

Authorized Representative - Permittee (if applicable)  
Date:

CHANGE IN ACREAGE	REVISED TOTAL ACREAGE	PERFORMANCE BOND
Disturbed: 0.00	Disturbed: 589.35	Prior Liability: \$14,244,472.30
Affected: 0.00	Affected: 14,632.10	Change in Liability: \$0.00
Permit: 0.00	Permit: 17,154.90	Revised Liability: \$14,244,472.30
State: 0.00	State: 0.00	Bond Held: \$15,000,000.00
Federal: 0.00	Federal: 11,758.40	
Private: 0.00	Private: 5,396.50	
County: 0.00	County: 0.00	

#### REVISED APPLICATION PAGES

Exhibit 1, Pages 1-8; Exhibit 38

#### DELETED APPLICATION PAGES

None

#### REVISED MAPS

None

#### DELETED MAPS

None