



COLORADO

**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

January 22, 2015

Forrest V. Luke
Trapper Mining, Inc.
P.O. Box 187
Craig, CO 81626

**Re: Trapper Mine (Permit No. C-1981-010)
Bond Release Application No. 16 (SL-16)**

Dear Mr. Luke:

In accordance with Rule 3.03.2(5)(b) of the Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for Coal Mining (Rules), you are hereby notified that the Division's decision to approve Bond Release Application No. 16 for the Trapper Mine became final on January 21, 2015.

Bond Release No. 16 reduces your reclamation liability by (\$376,228.82). The current liability is now \$27,030,843.72. The Division suggests you provide a copy of this letter (and, for federal operations, copies of the OSM and BLM concurrence letters) to your bonding company for written evidence of approval to reduce your bond. If you choose to reduce or replace your existing bond, it must equal or exceed \$27,030,843.72. If this release constitutes a full and final bond release, the Division will return your performance bond to you as soon as possible.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me.



Sincerely,

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

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cc: Mary Rodriguez, DRMS
Alan Boehms, Office of Surface Mining

Enclosure

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