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February 24, 2015

Levi Broyles USDA Forest Service PO Box 1030 Paonia, CO 81428

Re: Hawk Nest E & W (Permit No. C-1981-016) Bond Release Application No. 1 (SL-1)

Dear Mr. Broyles:

This letter, in accordance with Rule 3.03.2(5)(a) of the Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for Coal Mining, is to inform you that the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has issued a proposed decision to approve Bond Release Application No. 1 (SL-1) for the Hawk Nest E & W. This decision will be published in the *Delta County Independent*, as soon as possible. Publication of the notice initiates a thirty (30) day public comment period. If, within thirty days, there are no requests for an adjudicatory hearing, the decision will become final.

This decision constitutes a full release of reclamation liability for the Hawk Nest E & W. Pursuant to Rule 3.03.3(1), the Division is proposing to terminate its jurisdiction over this entire coal mining operation.

As an interested party, you have the right to an adjudicatory hearing as outlined under Rule 3.03.2(6) of the Rules and Regulations. The request for an adjudicatory hearing must be written and state with specificity the reasons why the hearing is requested. The request must be received within thirty days of the first publication of the proposed decision in the *OA.NS.Name*.



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

Sincerely,

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