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**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
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April 2, 2015

Chris Gilbreath
Tri-State Generation and Transmission Assoc., Inc
P.O. Box 33695
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**Re: New Horizon Mine (Permit No. C-1981-008)
Technical Revision No. 68 (TR-68)
Stream Buffer Zone Variance Request.**

Dear Mr. Gilbreath:

We have received your application for a technical revision to your permit to conduct coal mining in Colorado. Our initial review indicates that all preliminary items required by Rule 2.08.4(5) have not been submitted. Thus, your application is incomplete for the purposes of filing as of April 2, 2015.

Sediment control measures were not addressed for the Calamity Draw pump station. All other structures proposed for the stream buffer zone variance in TR-68 meet the requirements of Rule 4.05.2(4) and do not need sediment control measures.

In accordance with Rule 2.07.3(1), you have the opportunity to amend, review, or otherwise make your application complete.



If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brock Bowles", with a stylized, cursive script.

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