

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

May 28, 2015

Fremont County Commissioners **County Commissioner** 615 Macon Avenue, Room B-5 Cañon City, CO 81212

Re: **Southfield Mine (Permit No. C-1981-014) Technical Revision No. 46 (TR-46)** Relocation of MW-NW Monitor Well.

Dear Fremont County Commissioners:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety hereby issues notice, in accordance with Title 34, Article 33, Section 116, Paragraph 4, of the Colorado Revised Statutes, that on May 28, 2015 an application to revise coal mining operations at the Southfield Mine was considered complete for the purposes of filing. The revision was submitted by Energy Fuels Coal, Inc.. All review and comment periods as provided in the Act and the Regulations initiate from this date of filing.

TR46 seeks to abate NOV CV-2013-002, as well as to address issues raised during the review of TR43. Specifically, TR46 proposes a new monitoring well, MWNW-2, to replace the exisiting damaged well, MW-NW. The proposed location, drilling procedure and construction technique of MWNW-2 are discussed. The applicant is proposing additional surface disturbance outside of the area currently approved for disturbance.

The underground coal mining operation is on land located approximately 7 miles South of Florence, Colorado. The permit area is further described as follows:

Mine Area:

Portions of Sections 19, 30, and 31; Township 20S, Range 69N of the 6th P.M.; Sections 23, 24,25,26, and 36; Township 20S, Range 70 W of the 6th P.M.

Loadout:

Portions of Sections 17 and 18; Township 19S, Range 69W of the 6th P.M.



The above-mentioned tracts of land are shown on the following USGS 7.5 minute Quadrangle map(s): Rockvale.

The applicant is required to publish notice in a local newspaper that this application has been deemed complete. At the time of publication of this notice, the applicant is additionally required to place a copy of this application at the Fremont County Clerk and Recorder, 615 Macon Avenue, Room B-5, Cañon City, CO 81212, and at the Division office. For additional information or to provide written comments, contact the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Room 215, 1313 Sherman Street, Denver, Colorado 80203, (303) 866-3567. In order for us to comply with regulatory time frames, we request that comments be submitted within fifteen (15) days of this letter. If no comments are received by then, we will proceed on the assumption that you have no concerns with, or objections to, the applicant's proposal.

Sincerely,

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