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**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

July 22, 2015

Ron Velarde
Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Northwest Region Manager
NW Region Administrative Office
711 Independent Ave.
Grand Junction, CO 81505

**Re: Foidel Creek Mine (Permit No. C-1982-056)
Minor Revision No. 288 (MR- 288)
5 Main North Water Pipelines.**

Dear Mr. Velarde:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety hereby issues notice, that on July 22, 2015 an application to revise coal mining operations at the Foidel Creek Mine was received from Twentymile Coal, LLC and considered complete for the purposes of filing. The ten day review and comment period provided for in the Act and the Regulations initiates from this date of filing.

With this revision, Twentymile Coal, LLC (TC) seeks the approval to convert the existing 5-Mine North (5MN) borehole to a dewatering borehole and install about 5,000 feet of buried pipeline with vertical culvert access installations at five valve locations. This proposed activity is projected to disturb 4.6 acres in the N½ of the S½ of Section 17, of Township 5 North, Range 86 West. This facility is proposed to be used to pump water from the current and possibly from future mine workings to be transferred to the existing 6-Main North (6MN) Reservoir, the existing 10-Right water pipeline or a possible future passive water treatment system.

The underground coal mining operation is on land located approximately 23 miles Southwest of Steamboat Springs, Colorado. The permit area is further described as follows:



In portions of Sections 7, 8, 9, T4N, R86W; Sections 32 and 33, T6N, R86W; Sections 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35 and 36 in T5N, R87W; and all of T5N, R86W with the exception of Sections 34, 35, and 36. (move to Quad: Cow Creek, Dunckley, Milner, Mount Harris, and Oak Creek)

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

A copy of the revision application is available for review 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. The Division will issue a decision on the revision on or before August 1, 2015.

Sincerely,

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

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