

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

August 7, 2015

Notice to Parties and Interested Persons

RE: Notice of Formal Board Hearing and Pre-hearing Conference, Petition for Appeal of an Office Decision to Approve Modification No. 3 (MD-3), Hansen Uranium Project, NOI File No. P-2009-025

Dear Party and/or Interested Person:

On July 27, 2015, the Division announced its decision to approve MD-3 for the Hansen Uranium Project. The five-day period for appeal of the Division's determination, provided under Rule 5.1.3(d)(II), closed on August 3, 2015. During the appeal period the Division received three timely petitions for appeal from the following individuals:

- Jennifer Thurston, Director, Information Network for Responsible Mining, dated August 3, 2015;
- Lee J. Alter, Chairman, Government Affairs Committee for the Board of Directors, Tallahassee Area Community, Inc., dated August 3, 2015; and
- Kay M. Hawklee, dated August 3, 2015

Therefore, pursuant to Rule 5.1.3(d)(III), the Division has scheduled the petitions for a Formal Board Hearing before the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board (Board) for consideration. The hearing has been scheduled for the August 26-27, 2015 Board meeting, which will occur at 1313 Sherman Street, Room 318, Denver, Colorado, beginning at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be considered. During the hearing the Board will consider the petitions for appeal and may decide to affirm, modify or reverse the Division's decision to approve MD-3.

Pursuant to Rules 2.7.1, the Division has scheduled a Pre-hearing Conference for August 17, 2015. The Pre-hearing Conference will be held to describe the Division's review process, to explain the rights and responsibilities of parties, to discuss and resolve issues to the extent possible, to describe the Board Hearing process, to propose a list of issues under the Board's jurisdiction, to simplify that list, and to identify parties. The Pre-hearing Conference will occur on August 17, 2015, at 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado, beginning at 1:00 p.m. The Board has appointed Steven G. Renner to preside as the Pre-hearing Conference Officer.



Pursuant to Rule 2.7.3(4), any party who does not attend the Pre-hearing Conference forfeits its party status and all associated rights and privileges, unless such party provides a fully executed proxy authorization form to the Pre-hearing Conference Officer and the party's authorized representative is present. An official proxy authorization form is enclosed. Additional copies of the official proxy authorization form may be procured through the Division's web site at <a href="http://mining.state.co.us">http://mining.state.co.us</a>, and specifically at the following link:

<u>http://mining.state.co.us/SiteCollectionDocuments/112processmemoFinal.pdf</u>. A party may attend the Pre-hearing Conference via telephone if such request is made to the Pre-hearing Conference Officer, or a representative, at least five working days, or less for good cause shown, prior to the scheduled Pre-hearing Conference date.

Please contact me at (303) 866-3567 extension 8169, if you have any questions.

Sincerely, walker Sh for

Timothy A. Cazier, P.E. Environmental Protection Specialist

Attachment: Certificate of Service

Enclosure: Authorization to Appear on Behalf of a Party (official proxy authorization form)

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Wallace H. Erickson, hereby certify that on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015, I deposited a true copy of the foregoing Notice to Parties and Interested Persons, dated August 7, 2015, RE: Notice of Formal Board Hearing and Pre-hearing Conference, Petition for Appeal of an Office Decision to Approve Modification No. 3 (MD-3), Hansen Uranium Project, NOI File No. P-2009-025, with enclosure, in the official mailing receptacle for State of Colorado mail, addressed to the following:

Patrick C. Siglin Black Range Minerals 110 North Rubey Drive, Suite 201 Golden, CO 80403 Lee J. Alter Tallahassee Area Community, Inc. P.O. Box 343 Canon City, CO 81212

Kay M. Hawklee 1739 Fremont County Road 21A Canon City, CO 81212 Jennifer Thurston Information Network for Responsible Mining P.O. Box 27 Norwood, CO 81423

And by email transmission to the following:

Patrick Siglin, BLR, <u>psiglin@blackrangeminerals.com</u> Rod Grebb, BLR, <u>rgrebb@blackrangeminerals.com</u> Lee Alter, TAC, <u>alterconsult898@gmail.com</u> Kay Hawklee, <u>khawklee@aol.com</u> Jennifer Thurston, INFORM, <u>Jennifer@informcolorado.org</u> Steven Renner, PhC Officer, <u>steven.renner@state.co.us</u> John Roberts, AGO for MLRB, <u>jj.roberts@state.co.us</u> John Roberts, AGO for DRMS, <u>jeff.fugate@state.co.us</u> Tony Waldron, DRMS, <u>tony.waldron@state.co.us</u> Wally Erickson, DRMS, <u>wally.erickson@state.co.us</u> Timothy Cazier, DRMS, <u>tim.cazier@state.co.us</u>

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Signature and date

## How A Party May Designate A Representative To A Pre-Hearing Conference

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

If, as a party, you will not be able to attend a Pre-hearing Conference you may designate another person, such as an attorney or a consultant, to appear on your behalf without losing your party status. However, in order for the Pre-hearing Conference Officer to recognize your representative, *you must complete the attached form*. The form must include your notarized signature and you must sign in blue ink. For items that do not apply, please write N/A in the blank space.

Your representative must present the original notarized form to the Pre-hearing Conference Officer at the time of the pre-hearing conference.

Please note that you must appear in person to maintain your party status for a hearing. You may designate a representative to represent you at the Prehearing Conference only, but you must attend the formal Board hearing or lose your party status pursuant to Construction Materials Rule 2.8.1(1).

# AUTHORIZATION TO APPEAR ON BEHALF OF A PARTY

## (Please Type Or Print the Requested Information)

SIGNATURES MUST BE IN BLUE INK

I (person's name)		(title, if applicable)					
	(person s name)		(title, if applicable)				
of	(name of c	(name of company, association, organization, etc. if applicable)					
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County of	)						
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### SIGNATURE MUST BE IN BLUE INK

## STATE OF COLORADO MINED LAND RECLAMATION BOARD

## PARTY STATUS WITHDRAWAL FORM

In the matter of File No. M-\_\_\_\_\_, Permit/Permit Amendment Application.

Name of Operator/Applicant and Site:\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ I hereby withdraw as a party to this matter and, if the Board holds a hearing, I wish to address the Board at the formal hearing, if held, as a non-party.

(Please note that if all objecting parties withdraw prior to the date set for the Board's consideration of the application, the application may be approved by the Office without the Board holding a hearing. In that event, there will be no opportunity to address the Board on any issues related to the application. Also, the Board is not obligated to consider any issues raised by a person or an entity that has withdrawn as a party.)

Regardless of a party status, the Division thoughtfully considers each issue submitted in writing to the Division and provides a response to those issues within its jurisdiction in the Division's "Rationale for Recommendation." The Rationale is available to any person by contacting the Division. For persons who do not wish to become a party or withdraw as a party in this matter, please contact the Division for information on application status.

Printed Name		() Home Phone #	
Address		() Work Phone #	
City, State	Zip Code	() FAX #	
E-Mail Address		Date	
Signature			