



COLORADO

**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

September 9, 2015

Chris Gilbreath
Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association
1100 West 116th Avenue
Westminster, CO 80234

**Re: Colowyo Coal Mine (Permit No. C-1981-019)
Proposed Decision - Technical Revision No. 105 (TR-105)
Post Mine Topography Modifications**

Dear Mr. Gilbreath:

Enclosed you will find the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's Proposed Decision for Technical Revision No. 105 at the Colowyo Coal Mine. Notice of the proposed decision will be published in the *Craig Daily Press and Rio Blanco Herald-Times* as soon as possible. The first publication will initiate the ten (10) day public comment period for the Division's decision.

Documentation must be submitted to the Division demonstrating that a copy of the approved revision application was sent to the Office of Surface Mining and the Bureau of Land Management. The material should be sent within 15 days of final approval.

Please refer to the Performance Bond heading on the enclosed proposed decision form. If the amount of Bond Held equals or exceeds the Revised Liability, you need not submit additional bond. However, if the Revised Liability exceeds the Bond Held, please submit additional bond or rider to your existing bond that equals or exceeds the Revised Liability. This Technical Revision must not be implemented until this proposed decision becomes final and until any required increase in bond is submitted to and approved by the Division.



If there are stipulations attached, please sign and return the proposed decision form to the Division.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Phat D. ZH".

James R. Stark
Environmental Protection Specialist
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Enclosure

cc: Alan Boehms, Office of Surface Mining, with enclosures



COAL MINING PERMIT - TECHNICAL REVISION DECISION

Colowyo Coal Mine, Colowyo Coal Company L.P.
Permit No. C-1981-019

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has proposed the decision stated below. Provided there are no objections, the decision will become effective upon the termination of the ten (10) day public comment period, in accordance with Rule 2.08.4(6)(b)(iii).

Technical Revision No. 105

Decision: Approve

Submittal Date: April 8, 2015

Decision Date: September 9, 2015

Description of Revision: Post Mine Topography Modifications

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY PERMITTEE

Authorized Representative - Division

Authorized Representative - Permittee (if applicable)

Date: September 9, 2015

Date:

CHANGE IN ACREAGE		REVISED TOTAL ACREAGE		PERFORMANCE BOND	
Disturbed:	0.00	Disturbed:	5,880.00	Prior Liability:	\$340,839,492.95
Affected:	0.00	Affected:	5,889.90	Change in Liability:	\$0.00
Permit:	0.00	Permit:	29,075.74	Revised Liability:	\$340,839,492.95
State:	0.00	State:	1,277.00	Bond Held:	\$80,517,829.00
Federal:	0.00	Federal:	4,815.37		
Private:	0.00	Private:	22,983.37		
County:	0.00	County:	0.00		

REVISED APPLICATION PAGES

Pages 4.14-3 to 5; Page 4.27-1; Exh. 7-14TOC-1 and 2;
Page Exh. 7-14-6 to 8; Exh. 7-14C, Pages 1 to 16
Taylor Trib. Ditch;
Pages Exh. 7-14E-1 to 34; Pages Exh. 7-14I-15;
Pages Exh. 7-14J-1; Pages Exh. 7-14M-1 to 2;

REVISED MAPS

Map 12, Map 12A, Map 19, Map 19B, Map 20, Map 20B, Map 20A, Map 23A, Map 29, Map 29A, Map 33, Map 33A, Map 33B, Map 35A, Map 36A, Map 39 (sheet 1), Map 41, Map 41A, Map 44, Map 45

Exh. 7-14TOC-1 and 2; Exhibit 7, page 10;
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Exh. 7-14TOC 1 and 2; Page Exh. 7-PP-107;
Pages Exh. 7-PP-297 to 350; Pages Exh. 7-ET-1 to
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Rule 4, Page 15; Rule 4, Pages 23 and 24;
Exhibit 7-20-ii to 7-20-iii; Page Exh. 7-20-2;
Exh. 7-20A-1 to 43; Exh. 7-20C-1 to 2; Exh. 7-20C-5
to 82;
Exhibit 7, Item 20, Part E Pages 7-20E-1 to 35;
Exhibit 7, Item 20, Part G Pages 7-20G-1 through 8;
Exhibit 21, Item 1 pages Addendum No. 5-1 and 2

DELETED APPLICATION PAGES

Page 4.27-2; Exh. 7-14C, Pages 17 to 28 Taylor Trib.
Ditch;
Pages Exh. 7-14J 2 to 14; Pages Exh. 7-14M 3 to 8;
Pages Exh. 7-ET 97 to 102; Exh. 7-20A 44 to 57;
Exh. 7-20C 83 to 194; Exhibit 7, Item 20, Part E
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DELETED MAPS

Map 39 (sheet 2)