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November 30, 2015

Alan Boehms Office of Surface Mining Western Regional Coordinating Center 1999 Broadway, Suite 3320 Denver, CO 80202

Re: McClane Canyon Mine (Permit No. C-1980-004) **Technical Revision Application No. 17 (TR-17) Sediment Control Plan.**

Dear Mr. Boehms:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety hereby issues notice, in accordance with Title 34, Article 33, Section 118, Paragraph 3, of the Colorado Revised Statutes, that on November 23, 2015, an application to revise coal mining operations at the McClane Canyon Mine was considered complete for the purposes of filing. All review and comment periods as provided in the Act and the Regulations initiate from this date of filing.

Technical Revision No. 17 proposes an update to the sedimentation control plan for outfall 003, the silt fence located below the construction materials stockpile in order to be in compliance with 40 CFR Part 434 Subpart H, CDPHE discharge permit C00038342. The applicant is not proposing additional surface disturbance outside of the area currently approved for disturbance.

The underground coal mining operation is on land located approximately 19 miles North of Loma, Colorado. The permit area is further described as follows:

Portions of Sections 3, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, and 34, T7S, R102W, 6th PM, all in **Garfield County**

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



The Division has interpreted 30 CFR 746.18 to determine that this application as submitted does not constitute a Mining Plan Action. If the proposal is significantly changed during our review process, we will consult with you on whether a Mining Plan Action should be initiated and direct the applicant to send the revision application materials to your office for review as necessary.

Sincerely,

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