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Peter Milonas State Board of Land Commissioners 1127 Sherman Street, Suite 300 Denver, CO 80203-2206

Re: Colowyo Coal Mine (Permit No. C-1981-019) Bond Release Application No. 8 (SL-8)

Dear Mr. Milonas:

This letter, in accordance with Rule 3.03.2(5)(a) of the Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for Coal Mining, is to inform you that the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has issued a proposed decision to approve Bond Release Application No. 8 (SL-8) for the Colowyo Coal Mine. This decision will be published in the *Craig Daily Press*, as soon as possible. Publication of the notice initiates a thirty (30) day public comment period. If, within thirty days, there are no requests for an adjudicatory hearing, the decision will become final.

Partial Phase I Bond Release at the West, East and South Taylor Pit. As an interested party, you have the right to an adjudicatory hearing as outlined under Rule 3.03.2(6) of the Rules and Regulations. The request for an adjudicatory hearing must be written and state with specificity the reasons why the hearing is requested. The request must be received within thirty days of the first publication of the proposed decision in the *Craig Daily Press*.



If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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