July 11, 2016

Cliff Henderson Flying Triangle Ranch, LLC 12602 US HWY 26 Riverton, WY 82501



**COLORADO** Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

## RE: Flying Triangle Ranch Pit, Permit No. M-2008-018, Inspection Problems Abated

Dear Mr. Henderson:

On May 11, 2016 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) conducted an inspection of the above referenced site. Three inspection problems were cited.

Problem One: Availability of records, was cited as a problem. This was based on conversations with the operator, the site has been inactive since 2008. Corrective actions required the Operator file for Temporary Cessation. The start date of the initial 5 year Temporary Cessation period is retroactive to the date of the succession of operator approval or begin reclamation.

Problem Two: excessive trash and refuse was cited as a problem. This was based on the abundance of improperly disposed of trash and other debris not related to mining stored within the permit boundary. Corrective actions required that the operator shall submit a written notice to the Division with photo documentation, that the trash has been removed from the site by the corrective action date.

Problem Three: signs and markers were cited as a problem. No mine sign was observed and only one side of the permit boundary was clearly delineated. Corrective actions required the operator to post a sign at the entrance to the mine site which shall be clearly visible from the access road and specify the following; the name of the operator, indicate that a reclamation permit for the operation has been issued by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board, and the permit number. AND the boundaries of the affected area must be marked by monuments or other markers that are clearly visible and adequate to delineate such boundaries.

On July 8, 2016 the Division received a package from Mr. Livingston. In that package was a Temporary Cessation Notice request with the required \$144 revision fee. Also in that package was photo documentation depicting that all miscellaneous debris had been cleaned up from the site. As well as a photos of the new mine sign and boundary markers. The photos and written documentation received by the Division satisfy the corrective actions for problems two and three. On July 11, 2016 the Division has abated problems two and three identified in the May 11, 2016 inspection report.

In order to approve a request for Temporary Cessation (TC) a permit must be in good standings. On May 26, 2016 the Division also sent out a notice of surety increase for this site. Included with your package was a letter stating that Mr. Henderson disagrees with the increase. Unfortunately until the surety related issue is resolved the Division cannot move forward with the TC request. As long as progress is being made to resolve these issues the Division can extend the August 31, 2016 corrective



action due date for Problem one. You will be notified under a separate cover the process to formally object to the Notice of Surety Increase SI-1.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Amy Yeldell, at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St., Room 215, Denver, CO 80203. Direct contact can be made by phone at 970-254-8511 or via email at amy.yeldell@ state.co.us

Sincerely,

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