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Bowie No. 2 Mine, C-1996-083, 2015 ARR Review Letter

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Mon, Sep 12, 2016 at 9:50 AM

To: Bill Bear <BBear@bowieresources.com>

Cc: Jim Stover <jestover@bresnan.net>

Morning Bill,

Attached is the Division's review of the 2015 ARR. Please note any requested additional information identified in bold.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Thanks,
Jason

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Bill Bear
Bowie Resources, LLC
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**RE: Bowie No. 2 Mine (Permit No. C-1996-083)
2015 Annual Reclamation Report Review**

Dear Mr. Bear,

The Division has completed its review of the above referenced report received on 03 February 2016. The Division finds the 2015 Annual Reclamation Report in compliance of the following Rules:

Rule 2.04.13(1) - Received 03 February 2016. The Annual Reclamation Report is required to be received by the Division by February 15. No other date for submittal has been approved by the Division.

Rule 2.04.13(1)(a) - The cover of the ARR includes the name of the permittee, the address, and the permit number.

Rule 2.04.13(1)(b) - The ARR identifies 6.5 disturbed acres disturbed during calendar year 2015.

Rule 2.04.13(1)(c) - The ARR identifies 23.9 new backfilled and graded acres during calendar year 2015.

Rule 2.04.13(1)(d) - The ARR identifies 23.9 new topsoiled acres during calendar year 2015.

Rule 2.04.13(1)(e) - The ARR identifies 23.9 acres which were permanently revegetated during calendar year 2015.

Rule 2.04.13(1)(f) - The ARR identifies 23.9 acres which were seeded during calendar year 2015. 2015 ARR Pages 5 through 8 provide the location, number of acres and dates of planting for all previously revegetated areas.

Rule 2.04.13(2) - The following additional information was provided in accordance with the approved PAP: a chronological history of reclamation activities of the site from 1990 to present.



Based on the information presented in the 2015 ARR, please address the following comments:

1. The 2015 cumulative total of Acres Disturbed is 381.0. However, the total number of acres disturbed For the Entire Life of Mine is identified as 380.7. The Division recognizes a 0.3 addition error for the 2014 Disturbance. If the 0.3 reporting error is a -0.3, the 374.5 acres identified as Last Years Cumulative Total should be 375.2. **Please address why the two totals are different.**
2. Based on a comparison with the 2014 ARR numbers, the Acreage in long-term or reclamation facilities has decreased. The 2014 ARR denotes a total of 301.5 acres in long-term mining or reclamation facilities, while the 2015 ARR denotes a lesser number of 284.1. **Please provide information as to the decrease in acres in long term mining or reclamation facilities.**

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason Musick", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jason Musick

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