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State of Colorado
Division of Reclamation, Mining & Safety
1313 Sherman St., Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

Attn: Rob Zuber, Environmental Protection Specialist II

Re: GCC Energy, LLC
King II Mine
CDRMS Permit # C-81-035
Technical Revision #20 – Notice of Withdrawal

Dear Mr. Zuber:

After reviewing the status of Technical Revision TR-20, construction of the "West Waste Bank" at the King I mine site, GCC Energy has decided to no longer pursue this project in the physical configuration as submitted August 14, 2012. GCC Energy therefore desires to withdraw TR-20 from consideration by the Division.

The original purpose of this technical revision was to allow the use of coal mine waste from the King II mine to be placed along the west, pre-SMRCA, high-wall cut at the King I mine. This material was to be placed in such a way as to approximate pre-disturbance profiles of the west high-wall and help to lessen the visual impact of the site. As mentioned, the site is pre-law, and GCC Energy is under no obligation to construct this structure.

However, at this time, GCC Energy is exploring options to reconfigure much of the pre-law area at the King I mine site, and we anticipate submitting a permit revision which will offer a more comprehensive approach.

Please contact Tom Bird at 970.385.4528 x 6503 with questions or comments.

Sincerely,
Tom Bird

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Bird', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Manager of Coal Services
GCC Energy, LLC