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Denver, CO 80203

November 16, 2017

Mr. Jason McGraw General Shale Brick, Inc. 1845 W. Dartmouth Ave. Denver, CO 80110-1308

Re: General Shale Brick, Inc., Ute Mine, Permit No. M-1979-221,

Technical Revision No. 4 (TR-04) Adequacy Review

Mr. McGraw:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) has reviewed the content of technical revision (TR-04) for the Ute Mine submitted on November 2, 2017 and submits the following comments. The Division is required to make an approval or denial decision no later than December 4, 2017 therefore; a response to the following adequacy review concerns should be submitted to the Division as soon as possible.

1. The Operator stated an affidavit was attached certifying the sand and clay material from Sedalia Landfill and scrap brick (grog) is inert and clean. The Division did not receive the signed affidavit certifying the Sedalia Landfill material is clean and inert. Pursuant to Rule 3.1.5(9)(c), please provide the affidavit for the Sedalia Landfill material.

Please be advised the technical revision for the Ute Mine may be deemed inadequate, and the revision may be denied on December 4, 2017, unless the above mentioned adequacy review items are addressed to the satisfaction of the Division.

If you have any questions, please contact me at peter.hays@state.co.us or (303) 866-3567 Ext. 8124.

Sincerely,

Peter S. Hays

Environmental Protection Specialist

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