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December 5, 2017

In Reply Refer To: COC-077876 (CON040)

Amy Yeldell Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

Dear Ms. Yeldell,

The BLM-Colorado River Valley Field Office has reviewed your November 28, 2017 letter informing us of Pete Lien & Sons, Inc.'s request for a surety reduction for the Rifle Quarry, DRMS Permit No. M-1985-038. This proposed surety reduction would reduce the required reclamation bond amount from \$53,140.00 to \$10,752.72.

The November 6, 2017 BLM inspection determined Pete Lien & Sons, Inc. has performed adequate recontouring and site stabilization within the Rifle Quarry and all that remains before final reclamation approval is successful revegetation.

The BLM-Colorado River Valley Field Office offers its concurrence on the updated reclamation bond amount. The updated financial guarantee amount of \$10,752.72 is adequate for any final revegetation needs (in addition to mobilization/demobilization and indirect costs) within the Rifle Quarry. This financial guarantee must be held until all remaining reclamation liabilities are sufficiently addressed.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Jessica Lopez Pearce, Geologist, at (970) 876-9018 or jlopezpearce@blm.gov.

Sincerely,

Brian Hopkins Assistant Field Manager

CC: Clint Beck, Pete Lien & Sons, Inc.

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