

"Safety as a Value"

February 9, 2018

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

Attention: Rob Zuber, Environmental Protection Specialist II

Re: King Coal Mine, Permit #C-1981-035: 2017 Annual Reclamation Report

Dear Mr. Zuber:

Please find attached the 2017 Annual Reclamation Report for the King I and King II mines.

Please note that the area of the lower part of the Refuse Pile below the lower road at the King I mine is being re-worked to attain design grade. This 0.30-acre area has been removed from backfilled, graded, topsoiled and seeded status as was shown on reports from previous years.

Please contact me at (970) 385-4528 x 6503 if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Tom Bird

Manager of Coal Services GCC Energy, LLC

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Annual Reclamation Report for the Year ______

King I	& II	(Comb	pined)	C-198	1-03	5	GCC	Energy,LLC				
mine name				permit #			Permittee					
Address:	6473	C.R.	120,	Hesperus,	CO	81326						

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Land Status Category	Last Years Cumulative Total		This Calendar Year		Cumulative Total ¹
Acres disturbed	40.41	+	0.00	=	40.41
Acres backfilled and graded	1.99	-+	-0.30	=	1.69
Acres topsoiled	1.99	- +	-0.30	=	1.69

Seeding typically begins the minimum 10-year reclamation liability period. Please report the acres for each category below. Do not include acres that have achieved final, Phase III release.

	Last Years Cumulative Total		This Calendar year		Cumulative Total ¹		10 years or less		Greater than 10 years ¹
Acres seeded*	1.99	+	-0.30	=	1.69	=	1.69	+	0.00

*include, if necessary, a description of any augmented seeding or cultural practices

Phase I released 0.00 Phase II released 0.00 Phase III released 0.00

For Mines in Permanent Cessation:

Total acreage in facilities subject to reclamation but yet to be completed <u>N/A</u>

For Government Performance and Results Act

Acreage in long-term mining or reclamation facilities ²_____40.41

Acreage in active mining areas $^3__0.0$

¹(exclude acres where Phase III release has been achieved)

² Includes haul and access roads; temporary dams and impoundments; permanent dams and impoundments; diversion and collector ditches, water and air monitoring sites; topsoil stockpiles; overburden stockpiles; repair, storage and construction areas; office area, repair shops, and parking; coal stockpiles, loading, and processing areas; railroads; coal conveyors; nonbackfilled and graded areas of refuse piles, coal mine waste impoundments, head-of-hollow fills, and valley fills; ventilation shafts and entryways; and noncoal waste disposal area (garbage dumps and coal combustion by-products disposal areas).

³ Includes pits, topsoil stripped areas in advance of pits, and spoil not backfilled and graded

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m	ine name		pern	nit #	Permittee				
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Land Status Category	Last Years Cumulative Total		This Calendar Year		Cumulative Total ¹
Acres disturbed	15.42	+	0.00	=	15.42
Acres backfilled and graded	0.99	-+	-0.30	П	0.69
Acres topsoiled	0.99	- +	-0.30	=	0.69

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	Last Years Cumulative Total		This Calendar year		Cumulative Total ¹		10 years or less		Greater than 10 years ¹
Acres seeded*	0.99	+	-0.30	=	0.69	=	0.69	+	0.00

*include, if necessary, a description of any augmented seeding or cultural practices

For the Entire Life of Mine, the total number of acres disturbed <u>15.42</u> and the total number of acres:

Phase I released 0.00 Phase II released 0.00 Phase III released 0.00

For Mines in Permanent Cessation:

Total acreage in facilities subject to reclamation but yet to be completed <u>N/A</u>

For Government Performance and Results Act

Acreage in long-term mining or reclamation facilities ²_____15.42

Acreage in active mining areas $^3__0.0$

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K	ing II	Ľ	_	C-198	1-03	GCC Energy,LLC					
mine name				pern	nit #		Permittee				
Address:	6473	C.R.	120,	Hesperus,	CO	81326					

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Land Status Category	Last Years Cumulative Total		This Calendar Year		Cumulative Total ¹
Acres disturbed	24.99	+	0.00	=	24.99
Acres backfilled and graded	1.00	+	0.00	=	1.00
Acres topsoiled	1.00	+	0.00	=	1.00

Seeding typically begins the minimum 10-year reclamation liability period. Please report the acres for each category below. Do not include acres that have achieved final, Phase III release.

	Last Years Cumulative Total		This Calendar year		Cumulative Total ¹		10 years or less		Greater than 10 years ¹
Acres seeded*	1.00	+	0.00	=	1.00	=	1.00	+	0.00

*include, if necessary, a description of any augmented seeding or cultural practices

For the Entire Life of Mine, the total number of acres disturbed <u>24.99</u> and the total number of acres:

Phase I released 0.00 Phase II released 0.00 Phase III released 0.00

For Mines in Permanent Cessation:

Total acreage in facilities subject to reclamation but yet to be completed <u>N/A</u>

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Acreage in long-term mining or reclamation facilities ² 24.99

Acreage in active mining areas $^3__0.0$

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