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**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

February 11, 2019

Jason Burkey
Oldcastle SW Group Inc., dba United Companies of Mesa County
2273 River Road
Grand Junction, CO 81502

RE: Virginia Acres, File No. M-1990-021 , Technical Revision (TR-5) Adequacy Review

Dear Mr. Burkey:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) is in the process of reviewing the above referenced Technical Revision in order to ensure that it adequately satisfies the requirements of the Colorado Land Reclamation Act (Act) and the associated Mineral Rules and Regulations for the Extraction of Construction Materials (Rules). During review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following issue(s) of concern need to be adequately addressed before the Technical Revision can be considered for approval. Please provide the following:

1. You state that the seeding method will be broadcast. Are the seeding rates listed for broadcast or drill seeding? All seeding methods other than drill shall be at double the drill rate.
2. Compaction is mentioned, will any soil/seedbed preparation be completed prior to broadcast seeding?
3. How will you ensure good soil to seed contact while utilizing the broadcast seeding? Will any sort of raking or disking follow seeding?
4. Will any mulches or fertilizers be utilized? If so please specify application rate, application method and material type for all materials used.
5. The Division does not have a unit cost for several of the species included in your mix. Please provide the Division with the unit cost per PLS for each of the species in your seed mix.
6. For more accurate bonding the variety of each species should be specified. Please give the specific species variety used for each seed. If you do not wish to specify a variety or it is unknown this can be indicated by stating VNS (variety not specified).
7. For the Garrison Meadow Foxtail, what is the seed coated in and its intended purpose?



Please submit your response(s) to the above listed issue(s) by Monday, March 4, 2019 in order to allow the Division sufficient time for review. If you cannot address the above issues by March 4, 2019 please request an extension to the decision due date to ensure adequate time for the Division to review materials. A decision due date of March 11, 2019 has been set. If any adequacy issues remain by the decision due date the Division may deny your request.

The Division will continue to review your Technical Revision and will contact you if additional information is needed.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Amy Yeldell at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St., Room 215, Denver, CO 80203. Direct contact can be made by phone at 970-254-8511 or via email at amy.yeldell@state.co.us

Sincerely,



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