

COLORADO Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

February 13, 2019

Rob Tibbetts The Denver Brick Company 401 Prairie Hawk Dr. Castle Rock, CO 80109

Re: The Denver Brick Company; Stevens Clay Lease; File No. M-1996-064 Technical Revision No. 5 (TR-05) Adequacy Review

Mr. Tibbetts,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) reviewed the content of technical revision (TR-05) for the Stevens Clay Lease submitted on February 11, 2019 and submits the following comments. The Division is required to make an approval or denial decision no later than March 11, 2019 therefore; a response to the following adequacy review concerns should be submitted to the Division as soon as possible.

 The Operator proposes a revision to the approved Mining Plan to increase the allowable disturbance area from 20.8 to 26 acres. The new affected area would be located in the northwest quarter of the permitted area. Based on review of the Current Topography map submitted by the Operator in 2016, the northwest corner of the site is already included in the approved 20.8 acres of affected area. A copy of the map is enclosed for reference. Please provide a revised Mine Plan map indicating the location of the proposed increase in affected area.

Please be advised the technical revision for the Stevens Clay Lease may be deemed inadequate, and the revision may be denied on March 11, 2019, 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

Ec: Michael Cunningham; DRMS





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