



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

May 20, 2019

Mr. Tom Bird
GCC Energy, LLC
6473 County Road 120
Hesperus, CO 81326

Re: King Coal Mine, Second and final adequacy letter for MR-48

Dear Mr. Bird:

The Division received your e-mail from May 19, 2019 with a revised submittal for MR-48, namely a revised page 15. We find your edits on page 15 sufficient to address these comments from our preliminary adequacy letter:

1. On Page 15, under the sub-heading Monitoring Well Abandonment and Replacement, in the middle of the first paragraph, the text, *"it is likely that the source was present in the subsurface prior to the initial well installation and is thus considered baseline. This would be the case if the source is naturally present or if contamination was introduced to the aquifer upgradient at some time prior to GCC operations,"* should be replaced with *"water quality results will be reviewed."*
2. Also in the first paragraph under Monitoring Well Abandonment and Replacement, it appears that *"the new well shall be retained"* should be replaced with *"the old well shall be retained."*

The Division has no further issues regarding MR-48, and we shall approve it in the near future. As always, you can contact me at Rob.Zuber@state.co.us or 303.866.3567 (x8113).

Sincerely,

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Environmental Protection Specialist II

