



## COLORADO

Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, CO 80203

October 1, 2020

Mr. Louis Head  
New Elk Coal Company, LLC.  
12250 Highway 12  
Weston, Co 81091

**Re: New Elk Coal Mine DRMS Permit No. C-1981-012  
TR-75, SI-03**

Dear Louis Head,

On September 29, 2020 the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety estimated the total cost for early reclamation of the RDA to be **\$395,576.00** (To ensure accuracy of the bond calculation, the Division subtracted the current direct and in-direct cost associated with hauling and spreading cover material on the RDA from the new calculation  $\$694,222.00 - \$298,646.00 = \$395,576.00$ ) The current required surety held by the Division is \$4,166,596.08. The proposed increase would change the amount to **\$4,562,172.08**. The DRMS cost estimate is enclosed for your review.

If you agree with the cost estimate, please send me an email so that the Division may approve TR-75. If you have any questions, please contact me at (303)866-3567 x8126.

Sincerely,

Daniel Cunningham  
Environmental Protection Specialist

CC: Jared Ebert, DRMS

