

## TRI-STATE GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION ASSOCIATION, INC.

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October 8, 2020

Mr. Zach Trujillo Environmental Protection Specialist Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining & Safety Department of Natural Resources 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

## RE: Colowyo Coal Company L.P. Permit No. C-1981-019 Minor Revision No. 224 Adequacy Response

Dear Mr. Trujillo,

Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association Inc. (Tri-State), is the parent company to Axial Basin Coal Company, which is the general partner to Colowyo Coal Company L.P. (Colowyo). Therefore, Tri-State on behalf of Colowyo is providing this adequacy response for minor revision 224 (MR-224) to Permit No. C-1981-019.

Tri-State received your adequacy letter dated October 8, 2020, and has the following response:

1. The Division has performed a reclamation cost estimate to reclaim the additional Collom topsoil stripping. The total value of this estimate is \$137,734.00 (see attached cost estimate). The Division's cost estimate is consistent with previous cost estimates approved by both the Division and Colowyo. The Division respectfully requests a response from Colowyo with any questions regarding the cost estimate or an acceptance of the Division's estimate.

**Response:** Tri-State has reviewed the cost estimate for MR-224 which proposes an increase in Colowyo's reclamation liability by \$137,734.00 for the additional removal of topsoil to support continued develop of the Collom Pit. Tri-State hereby provides concurrence with the Division's estimate.

If you should have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Tony Tennyson at (970) 824-1232 at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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