

Foidel Creek Surety Increase Follow Up

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Tabetha, Jason, and Jim,

Thank you for your time and discussion Thursday. It is invaluable feedback that helps us at Peabody better understand the processes of the department as we plan for further reclamation and bond release activities in the future.

While we appreciate the rationale for the proposed surety increase, we would also like the opportunity to submit the following items to DRMS to be considered with this mid-term review process for the surety calculation:

- a. A Technical Revision to the permit ensuring that all structures noted during the informal conference as not constructed, with no future intent to construct, are in fact removed from the permit and supporting materials.
- b. A Technical Revision to remove any further reference to the low-quality coal stockpile as this stockpile is no longer a part of our process. Should no further reference to the stockpile be present within the permit or the supporting maps, this revision will not be necessary.
- c. An alternate utilization structure for equipment that more accurately reflects equipment utilization and idle rates, reflective of Peabody reclamation activities.
- d. An updated reclamation plan for the regrading and backfilling of the facility that better reflects the current / future site conditions and ensures the entire footprint is captured within the plan. This plan will fulfill Peabody's obligation for post-mine topography and provide an estimate of total yards moved in order to achieve the desired PMT.

Peabody also appreciates the discussion associated with the policy for bond release and demolition cost. We hope to engage with you on this issue further in the future, and we are currently working on analysis and information-gathering.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to discuss and collaborate. We intend to make timely submittals if DRMS will allow the time for the items noted above.

Best regards,

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