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## C1980007, West Elk Mine, SL-15, Initial Adequacy Review

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July 29, 2021

**Re: West Elk Mine (Permit No. C-1980-007)**  
**Surety Release No. 15, (SL-15)**  
**Initial Adequacy Review**

Dear Ms. Poulos,

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has completed the initial review of materials submitted by Mountain Coal Company, LLC (MCC) in support of the SL-15 Partial Phase I Bond Release application. Please respond to the adequacy items below.

1. Based on the SL-15 inspection, the road segment leading from the saddle at the top of Poison Gulch, west of E7-10, to the E7-9 spur road has been reclaimed, but is not shown on the SL-15 map or in Tables I or II of the bond release application packet (see July Inspection Report).

**Please clarify whether the road segment should be included in the SL-15 application or not. If it is to be included please update the map and tables accordingly.**

Yours sincerely,

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