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**Mountain Coal Company, LLC**  
A subsidiary of Arch Resources, Inc.  
West Elk Mine  
5174 Highway 133  
Somerset, CO 81434

April 3, 2023

Mr. Leigh D. Simmons  
Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety  
Office of Mined Land Reclamation  
1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, Colorado 80203

**Re: Mountain Coal Company, LLC, West Elk Mine; Permit No. C-1980-007;  
Quarterly Summary of Subsidence Observations; 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2023**

Dear Mr. Simmons:

Mountain Coal Company, LLC (MCC) began longwall mining the E-Seam in December 2008. MCC has completed longwall mining of longwall panels LW1 through LW8, LW14 and LWSS1&2. MCC is currently mining in LWSS3 and preparing for a Longwall move in the next few days to LWSS4.

There were no stock ponds within twice the angle-of-draw of the mined area of LWSS3 during this quarter, and mining was not within a mile of Monument Dam. Winter weather and ground conditions did not permit inspections for this quarter. All inspections will continue when weather and ground conditions allow. Routine inspection reports for Monument Dam, Forest Service Roads and Stock Ponds are included with this letter report.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you have questions regarding this submittal.

Sincerely,

Nicki Poulos  
Environmental Engineer

Enclosures: Monument Dam Inspections – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2023  
US Forest Service Road Inspections – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2023  
Stock Pond Inspections – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2023

cc: D. Gray - USFS  
J. Wilczek – MCC  
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