

April 14, 2023

New Elk Coal Company, LLC. Attn: Mark Gray 12250 Highway 12 Weston, Colorado 81091

## Re: New Elk Mine; C-1981-012 First Quarter 2023 Pond Inspection Report Review

Dear Mr. Gray:

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received the above referenced report on March 28, 2023. The Division finished its review and the report appears to be in compliance with Rule 4.05.9(17). The report included inspection report forms for each of the ponds inspected.

The ponds were inspected on March 14, 2023. No appearances of structural weaknesses or hazardous conditions were noted. In accordance with Rule 4.05.9(17), please retain a copy of the reports at or near the mine site.

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at Brock.Bowles@state.co.us or (720) 774-0040.

Sincerely.

Brock Bowles Environmental Protection Specialist

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