

June 6, 2022

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

RE: Colowyo Coal Mine L.P. Permit No. C-1981-019 Annual Impoundment Inspections

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. Therefore, Tri-State on behalf of Colowyo, and in accordance with Rules 4.05.9(14) and 4.05.9(15), is submitting the enclosed annual impoundment and stock pond inspection reports.

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

Sincerely,

Docusigned by:
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Chris Gilbreath Senior Manager Remediation and Reclamation

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#### Colowyo Coal Company L.P., Permit No. C-1981-019

#### **Annual Impoundment Inspections**

2023

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	Streeter Pond	Work Area Pond	Gossard Pond	Stoker Siding Pond	Rail Loop Pond	Prospect Pond	West Pit Pond	Section 16 Pond	East Taylor Pond	West Taylor Pond	Section 28 Pond	Warehouse Pond	Taylor Pump Holding Pond	Evaporation Pond #1	Evaporation Pond #2	Aeration Pond
Inspection Date:	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/30/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023
Inspector:	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale
Rule 4.05.9 (15)(a)  Does the pond exhibit erosion, instability, structural weakness, or other hazardous conditions?	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Rule 4.05.9(15)(b) Existing and required monitoring procedures.	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection
Rule 4.05.9(15)(b) Required Instrumentation	Parshall Flurne In Place and Functioning	Not Applicable - Nondischarging Structure	Not Applicable - Nondischarging Structure	Parshall Flume In Place and scheduled for maintenance	Not Applicable - Nondischarging Structure	Parshall Flume in Place and Functioning	Parshall Flume In Place and Functioning	Parshall Flume In Place and Functioning		Parshall Flume In Place and scheduled for maintenance	Parshall Flume In Place and Functioning	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Rule 4.05.9(15)(c) Depth of Impounded Water (ft)*	4,8	10.0	6.5	3,0	2.6	11.0	1.0	7746.0	15.0	15.0	1.6	1	6	4	4	4
Rule 4.05.9(15)(c) Elevation of Impounded Water (ft)*	6583.0	7156.0	6388.3	6325.0	6348.5	6750.5	6822.0	6.0	6945.0	7470.0	7057.6	7195	7062	7062	7062	7064
Rule 4.05.9(15)(d) Existing Storage Capacity (ac-ft)**	0.00	9.54	2.45	0,33	0.52	1.44	4.27	0.79	2.68	1.70	1.67	1.49	1.78	Not Applicable - Warehouse Pond	Not Applicable - Warehouse Pond	Not Applicable - Sewage Pond
Rule 4.05.9(15)(e) Any additional items effecting stability or maintenance Items	sediment cleanout required	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	emergency spillway scheduled for new riprap	None	None	None	None	Backflow Pond None	Backflow Pond  None	None

<sup>\*</sup> Moment in time measurement of the elevation of the top of the captured pool of water within the pond.

I am a Licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Colorado. The information contained in this document was provided by Colowyo Coal L.P. Being familiar with the Colowyo operation, and relying on the information provided to me by Colowyo Personnel, the information contained herein is reasonable and correct to the best of my knowledge and experience.



<sup>\*\*</sup>Impoundments volumes are estimated from pre-existing as-built surveys and estimates of accumilated sediment.

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## **Annual Impoundment Inspections**

### 2023

	Temporary Facilities Pond	Wilson Storage Pond	Section 36 Pond	Middle Pond	Section 25 Pond	Coal Stockpile	Sidehill Pond	Section 26 Pond
Inspection Date:	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023
Inspector:	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale
Rule 4.05.9 (15)(a)  Does the pond exhibit erosion, instability, structural weakness, or other hazardous conditions?	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Rule 4.05.9(15)(b) Existing and required monitoring procedures.	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection
Rule 4.05.9(15)(b) Required Instrumentation	Not Applicable - Nondischarging Structure	Not Applicable - Nondischarging Structure	None	None	Parshall flume in place and functioning	Not Applicable - Nondischarging Structure	None	Parshall Flume in Place and functioning
Rule 4.05.9(15)(c) Depth of Impounded Water (ft)*	Dry	Dry	20.0	18.0	21.0	2.0	3.0	17.0
Rule 4.05.9(15)(c) Elevation of Impounded Water (ft)*	Dry	Dry	7125.0	7066.0	6876.0	7212.0	7157.0	6986.0
Rule 4.05.9(15)(d) Existing Storage Capacity (ac- ft)**	0.38	3.23	1.91	1.56	6.58	0.93	2.83	1.98
Rule 4.05.9(15)(e) Any additional items effecting stability or maintenance items	None	None	None	None	Primary leaking from somewhere below weephole but still into pipe.	None	Erosion in inlet Ditch should be addressed	None

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## **Annual Stock Pond Inspections**

### 2023

2023											
	PD1	PD2	NTEP1	EP1	EP2	TD1	TD2	ETD1			
Inspection Date:	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023	5/23/2023					
Inspector:	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale	5/23/2023	5/23/2023			
Rule 4.05.9 (15)(a)				Treat Hagsdare	Trevol Nagouale	Trevor Ragsdate	Trevor Ragsdale	Trevor Ragsdale			
Does the pond exhibit	1							1			
erosion, instability,	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO				
structural weakness, or	I NO							NO			
other hazardous											
conditions?											
Rule 4.05.9(15)(b)											
Existing and required	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspection	Annual Inspectio			
monitoring procedures.											
Rule 4.05.9(15)(b)											
Required Instrumentation	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable			
Rule 4.05.9(15)(c)											
Depth of Impounded	8.0	7.0	1.0	5.8	1.0	2.0					
Water (ft)*				5.0	1.0	3.0	12.0	2.0			
Rule 4.05.9(15)(c)											
Elevation of Impounded	7356.0	7563.0	7379.0	7375.8	7485.0	7286.0	7455.0	7205.0			
Water (ft)*					, 100.10	7200.0	7455.0	7285.0			
Rule 4.05.9(15)(d)											
Existing Storage Capacity	0.90	1.43	1.79	1.01	1.86	0.68	2.17	0.84			
(ac-ft)**						0.00	2.1/	0.04			
Rule 4.05.9(15)(e)	Impounded water	Impounded water		Complete rebuild	Complete with 11 t						
	effecting stability or scheduled to be		None	planned Summer	Complete rebuild planned Summer	None	None				
								None			
Moment in time measure		pumped		2023	2023						

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