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Clayton Wein Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman St., Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

Re: Extension for completing clean-up activities

Mr. Clayton Wein,

As specified in the document McClane Canyon Mine, C-1980-004, April 2023 Complete Inspection OSMRE Oversight Inspection Report, there are various maintenance items identified at the McClane Canyon Mine. Priority maintenance items were to be completed by June 18th. ARC McClane will not be able to complete all the maintenance items by this date, and hereby requests an extension for the completion of some of the items. It is expected that these items can be completed by July 14th. The following paragraphs list the priority maintenance items, and their current state of completion.

Priority Maintenance Items:

- 1. Clean up contaminated soil on the east side of the shop. This soil has been cleaned up and placed in a temporary holding container, awaiting final removal from the property.
- 2. Clean up contaminated soil beneath the grader. This soil has been cleaned up and placed in a temporary holding container, awaiting final removal from the property.
- Clean up contaminated soil at the back/south side of the mine office. This soil has been cleaned up and placed in a temporary holding container, awaiting final removal from the property.

****The three items listed above require removal from the property. In order to send these soils off of the property, chemical analysis of the contaminants is required. As of right now, samples of the contaminated have been sent to a laboratory for analysis, and we are awaiting results. Once the receiving facility approves of receiving these soils, they will be removed from the site.

- 4. Remove old barrels located behind the south side of the shop. The barrels have been removed and disposed of.
- 5. Remove old barrels located behind the shop. These have been removed and disposed of.
- 6. Remove old barrels and filters within the filter shed. These have been removed and disposed of.
- 7. Remove old barrels located in the transformer building. These have been removed and disposed of.
- 8. Remove old barrels located beneath the conveyor building. These have been removed and disposed of.
- 9. Remove old barrels located on the north side of the shop. These have been removed and disposed of.
- 10. Remove old barrels located in the laydown yard on the bench below the shop. These have been removed and disposed of.
- 11. Remove old barrels located across the haul road from Item #10. These have been removed and disposed of.
- 12. Relocate the large red fuel tank located just east of Sump 1. This has been done.
- 13. Pick up hoses located near the fuel tank. This has been done.
- 14. Remove old barrels located across the haul road from the sediment pond. These have been removed and disposed of.
- 15. Remove old barrels located on the mine office pad. These have been removed and disposed of.
- 16. The clearwater diversion ditch D-2 behind the south side of the shop has been cleaned out.
- 17. The surface water feature D-5 is still under evaluation, and therefore the revision to be submitted to the Division has been postponed pending further evaluation.
- 18. The connection between clearwater ditches D-2 and D-3 has been cleaned and repaired.
- -The cleanings from sump J have been moved to an appropriate location. The outlet ditch was cleaned.
- 19. The fuel tank located adjacent to Sump J has been moved an appropriate location with secondary containment.

- 20. Sump P has been cleaned out.
- 21. The inlet to ditch D-6 has been cleaned out.
- 22. Culvert Q has been cleaned out.

Secondary Maintenance Items:

The secondary maintenance items consist primarily of non-coal waste to be cleaned and disposed of. This will be done before the September deadline. The other items are the proper markers of buffer zones, subsoil piles, etc. This will be remedied before the deadline.

As is shown above, great progress toward the correction of the maintenance items has been made. The few remaining items are in progress, but outside of our immediate control.

Reports of progress made in the following months will be submitted to the Division for your review.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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