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King Mine, C-1981-035, August 2023 Priority Maintenance Items Extension Request **Approval**

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Good afternoon everyone,

Attached is the Division's letter approving GCC's request to extend Maintenance Item No. 7, No. 8 and No. 9 to November 1, 2023. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely, Clayton Wein **Environmental Protection Specialist**



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September 14, 2023

Chris Dorenkamp GCC Energy, LLC 6473 County Road 120 Hesperus, CO 81326

Re: King Coal Mine Permit No. C-1981-035 August 2023 Post Inspection Outstanding Maintenance Items

Dear Mr. Dorenkamp,

The Division received a letter from GCC on September 12, 2023 requesting an extension for Maintenance Item No. 7, No. 8 and No. 9. The request was to extend the due date from September 19, 2023 to November 1, 2023. The letter stated that an estimated 2,000 tons of refuse material needs to be removed from the northeast corner of the Lower Refuse Disposal Area to restore the LRDA and Reach 13 to the approved design from Technical Revision No. 27. The Division agrees that the proposed timeframe is appropriate to complete the activities proposed by the permittee. The Division hereby approves GCC's request to extend the due date for maintenance Item No. 7, No. 8 and No. 9 to November 1, 2023.

Maintenance Items Due by November 1, 2023:

The Division recognizes that removal of the coal materials from the LRDA's northeast section is desired and would comply with the approved TR-27 designs. The following maintenance items are outlined to ensure that this action will result in compliance with the Permittee's approved Permit Application Package, the Act, and the Rules.

- 7. All material removed from the northeast corner of the LRDA should not be stockpiled on top of the pile during the work being conducted to re-establish the TR-27 approved design. Please place the excavated material on top of the upper refuse disposal area. This will help maintain the pile's stability while the northeast corner is disturbed by the activity.
- 8. During the reconstruction of the northeast corner of the LRDA, compaction testing must be performed while the lifts are created. The compaction tests are vital to ensuring the stability of the LRDA is monitored. Please provide the Division with these compaction tests as the northeast section of the LRDA is reconstructed.
- 9. Reach 13 must be re-established to the approved location on Map KI 007 and to the approved designs from Map KI 007A. Please submit photos of the completed ditch to the Division no later than November 1, 2023.



Maintenance Item No. 10 from the Division's September 7, 2023 letter has been satisfied. A Minor Revision was submitted to the Division on September 13, 2023. The Revision was deemed complete on September 14, 2023.

Please feel free to contact me at (303)-866-3567 x8185 to discuss any of the outstanding maintenance items and corrective actions outlined above.

Sincerely,

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cc: Travis Marshall, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist