

November 15, 2023

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

RE: Colowyo Coal Company L.P. Permit No. C-1981-019 Technical Revision 160 (TR-160) Second Adequacy Response

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. (Colowyo). Therefore, Tri-State on behalf of Colowyo is submitting this second adequacy response for technical revision 160 (TR-160) to Permit No. C-1981-019.

Tri-State received the Division's adequacy letter dated November 14, 2023. The Division's comments that have been resolved have not been included in this response. Therefore, Tri-State has the following response to the Division's remaining adequacy comment.

8. **Division:** With the Colowyo provided responses, the Division has now performed a reclamation cost estimate to reclaim the proposed Collom Haul Road channels. The total value of this estimate is \$25,577.00 (see attached cost estimate). The Division's cost estimate is consistent with previous cost estimates approved by both the Division and Colowyo. The Division respectfully requests a response from Colowyo with any questions regarding the cost estimate or an acceptance of the Division's estimate.

Response: Tri-State has reviewed the Division's cost estimate for TR-160 which will increase Colowyo's reclamation liability by \$25,577.00, and hereby provides concurrence with the Division's estimate.

If you should have any additional questions or concerns regarding this adequacy response, please feel free to contact Tony Tennyson at (970) 824-1232 or at <u>ttennyson@tristategt.org</u>.

Sincerely,

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