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King Mine, C-1981-035, 1st Quarter Coal Processing Waste Bank Report Review

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Wed, Aug 14, 2024 at 10:56 AM

To: Dickson Michael <mdickson@gcc.com>

Cc: McCourt Jordan <jmccourt@gcc.com>

Good morning Michael,

Attached is the Division's review letter for the King Mine's 1st Quarter Coal Processing Waste Bank Report. Please note the adequacy items outlined in Bold text within the review letter. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Clayton Wein

Environmental Protection Specialist



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August 14, 2024

Michael Dickson
GCC Energy, LLC
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Hesperus, CO 81326

RE: King Coal Mine, Permit No. C-1981-035
1st Quarter 2024 Professional Certification for the Coal Processing Waste Piles

Dear Mr. Dickson,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (the Division) has reviewed the Professional Certification for the Coal Processing Waste Piles for the 1st quarter of 2024. The report was received on April 15, 2024. **Please note the adequacy questions outlined at the end of this report.** The Division finds the report to be in compliance with the following Rules:

4.10.2(1) – The coal waste piles were inspected, on behalf of the person conducting surface coal mining operations, by a qualified registered engineer on March 29, 2024.

4.10.2(2)(a) – The inspection was conducted quarterly as required by the Division.

4.10.2(2)(b) – The inspection included observations necessary to evaluate the potential hazard to human life and property, to ensure that all organic material and topsoil have been removed and that proper construction and maintenance are occurring in accordance with the plan submitted under Rule 2.05.3(8) and approved by the Division.

4.10.2(2)(c) – The engineer considered the steepness of the slopes, seepage, and other visual factors which would indicate potential failure, and the results of failure with respect to the threat to human life and property.

4.10.2(2)(d) – Copies of the inspection findings are maintained at the mine site.

4.10.2(3) – There were no potential hazards identified in the 1st Quarter Professional Certification for the Coal Processing Waste Piles.



Adequacy Questions:

1. In the 1st Quarter Report, there is a statement regarding Reach 10 indicating that the upper portion of the treated water ditch required repairs from erosion. The report recommends that the channel should be extended up the existing slope and improved. **Were the recommended repairs to Reach 10 completed? When were the repairs to Reach 10 Completed?**

This concludes the Division's review of the 1st Quarter 2024 Professional Certification of the Coal Processing Waste piles for the King Coal Mine. If you have any questions, please contact me at (720)-762-6156 or clayton.wein@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Clayton Wein". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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cc: Travis Marshall, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist GJFO