

August 29, 2024

New Elk Coal Company, LLC. Attn: Chris Walker 12250 Highway 12 Weston, Colorado 81091

Re: Lorencito Canyon Mine; C-1996-084, Second Quarter 2024 Pond Inspection Report Review

Dear Chris Walker/Whom it may concern,

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division) has reviewed the above referenced report. This report appears to be in compliance with Rule 4.05.9 (14) and (17). The report included inspection report forms for each of the ponds inspected. The inspection was conducted by John Terry on June 13, 2024.

No appearances of structural weaknesses or hazardous conditions were noted. In accordance with Rule 4.05.9(17), please retain a copy of the reports at or near the mine site.

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at <u>amber.gibson@state.co.us</u> or (720) 836-0967.

Sincerely,

Amber M. Gibson Environmental Protection Specialist

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