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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT



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In Reply Refer To: 3451 (CO-923) COC057192 LMU COD052547, et al COC03229 (State Lease)

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DECISION

Twentymile Coal, LLC 29515 County Road 27 Oak Creek, CO 80467

Logical Mining Unit Extension Granted

On September 12, 2023, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a letter from Peabody Energy, for Twentymile Coal LLC (TC), requesting a 17-year extension for Logical Mining Unit (LMU) COC057192 containing legacy lease numbers COD052547, COC054608, COC081330, and State Lease CO-3229 within the Twentymile Mine.

The purpose of a LMU is to consolidate the recoverable coal reserves of multiple leases into a single unit where production from any lease can be counted toward the continued operation requirements of the unit. After all recoverable reserves in the LMU are exhausted and the BLM determines the leases to be mined out, the LMU is no longer necessary. According to the life-of-mine progression map received on October 14, 2024, TC expects to cease coal production after the year 2030. Based on that projection, the BLM is granting TC a 10-year LMU extension under the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public Law 109-58). According to section F of the LMU stipulations last modified on August 12, 2019, the requirement to exhaust all recoverable reserves by July 22, 2023, is hereby extended to July 22, 2033. TC may apply for an additional extension if a longer period is necessary to ensure the maximum economic recovery of a coal deposit.

The current lease bonds, totaling \$82,000, are sufficient to provide coverage for the leases within the LMU.

This decision may be appealed within 30-days from the receipt of this Decision to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR. Part 4 and attached Appeal Form 1842-1. If you have any questions regarding this decision or the LMU extension, please email BLM_COSO_COAL_NEL@blm.gov.

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Via email:

Twentymile, Engineer (N. Aromando) Peabody Energy, Senior Land Manager (F. Eden)

Attachments:

Appeal Form 1842-1

cc: BLM Little Snake Field Office, Field Manager (K. Gresset- via email) ONRR (Solid Minerals- via email) CDRMS, Environmental Protection Specialist (B. Bowles- via email)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

INFORMATION ON TAKING APPEALS TO THE INTERIOR BOARD OF LAND APPEALS

	DO NOT APPEAL UNLESS
	1. This decision is adverse to you,
	AND 2. You believe it is incorrect
IE VO	U APPEAL, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES MUST BE FOLLOWED
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I. NOTICE OF APPEAL	A person who wishes to appeal to the Interior Board of Land Appeals must file in the office of the officer who made the decision (not the Interior Board of Land Appeals) a notice that he wishes to appeal. A person served with the decision being appealed must transmit the <i>Notice of Appeal</i> in time for it to be filed in the office where it is required to be filed within 30 days after the date of service. If a decision is published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, a person not served with the decision must transmit a <i>Notice of Appeal</i> in time for it to be filed within 30 days after the date of publication (43 CFR 4.41 I and 4.413).
2. WHERE TO FILE	Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office
NOTICE OF APPEAL	Division of Energy, Lands and Minerals (CO-920)
	P.O. Box 151029, Lakewood, CO 80215
WITH COPY TO SOLICITOR	U.S. Department of the Interior, Regional Solicitor, Rocky Mountain Region 755 Parfet Street, Suite 151 Lakewood, CO 80215
3. STATEMENT OF REASONS	Within 30 days after filing the <i>Notice of Appeal</i> , file a complete statement of the reasons why you are appealing. This must be filed with the United States Department of the Interior, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Interior Board of Land Appeals, 801 N. Quincy Street, MS 300-QC, Arlington, Virginia 22203. If you fully stated your reasons for appealing when filing the <i>Notice of Appeal</i> , no additional statement is necessary (43 CFR 4.412 and 4.413).
WITH COPY TO SOLICITOR	U.S. Department of the Interior, Regional Solicitor, Rocky Mountain Region 755 Parfet Street, Suite 151 Lakewood, CO 80215
4. SERVICE OF DOCUMENTS	A party that files any document under 43 CFR Subpart 4, must serve a copy of it concurrently on the appropriate official of the Office of the Solicitor under 43 CFR 4.413(c) and 4.413(d). For a notice of appeal and statement of reasons, a copy must be served on each person named in the decision under appeal and for all other documents, a copy must be served on each party to the appeal (including intervenors). Service on a person or party known to be represented by counsel or other designated representative must be made on the representative. Service must be made at the last address of record of the person or party (if unrepresented) or the representative, unless the person, party or representative has notified the serving party of a subsequent change of address.
5. METHOD OF SERVICE	If the document being served is a notice of appeal, service may be made by (a) Personal delivery; (b) Registered or certified mail, return receipt requested; (c) Delivery service, delivery receipt requested, if the last address of record is not a post office box; or (d) Electronic means such as electronic mail or facsimile, if the person to be served has previously consented to that means in writing. All other documents may be served by (a) Personal delivery; (b) Mail; (c) Delivery service, if the last address of record is not a post office box; or (d) Electronic means such as electronic is not a post office box; or (d) Electronic means such as electronic is not a post office box; or (d) Electronic means such as electronic mail or facsimile, if the person to be served has previously consented to that means in writing.
6. REQUEST FOR STAY	Except where program-specific regulations place this decision in full force and effect or provide for an automatic stay, the decision becomes effective upon the expiration of the time allowed for filing an appeal unless a petition for a stay is timely filed together with a Notice of Appeal (43 CFR 4.21). If you wish to file a petition for a stay of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Interior Board of Land Appeals, the petition for a stay is required to show sufficient justification based on the standards listed below. Copies of the Notice of Appeal and Petition for a Stay must also be submitted to each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and Petition for a Stay must also be submitted to each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and to the appropriate Office of the Solicitor (43 CFR 4.413) at the same time the original documents are filed with this office. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted. Standards for Obtaining a Stay. Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulations, a petition for a stay of a decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards: (1) the relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied, (2) the likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits, (3) the likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and (4) whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

Unless these procedures are followed, your appeal will be subject to dismissal (43 CFR 4.402). Be certain that **all** communications are identified by serial number of the case being appealed.

NOTE: A document is not filed until it is actually received in the proper office (43 CFR 4.401(a)). See 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart B for general rules relating to procedures and practice involving appeals.

43 CFR SUBPART 1821-GENERAL INFORMATION

Sec. 1821.10 Where are BLM offices located? (a) In addition to the Headquarters Office in Grand Junction, CO and seven national level support and service centers, BLM operates 12 State Offices each having several subsidiary offices called Field Offices. The addresses of the State Offices can be found in the most recent edition of 43 CFR 1821.10. The State Office geographical areas of jurisdiction are as follows:

STATE OFFICES AND AREAS OF JURISDICTION:

Alaska State Office Alaska Arizona State Office Arizona
California State Office California
Colorado State Office Colorado
Eastern States Office Arkansas, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri
and, all States east of the Mississippi River
Idaho State Office Idaho
Montana State Office Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota
Nevada State Office Nevada
New Mexico State Office New Mexico, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas
Oregon StateOffice Oregon and Washington
Utah StateOffice Utah
Wyoming State Office Wyoming and Nebraska

(b) A list of the names, addresses, and geographical areas of jurisdiction of all Field Offices of the Bureau of Land Management can be obtained at the above addresses or any office of the Bureau of Land Management, including the Headquarters Office, Bureau of Land Management, 760 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506.

(Form 1842-1, September 2020)