

December 2, 2024

Dustin DeWitt DeWitt Excavating, Inc. 7395 U.S. Hwy. 50 Lamar, CO 81052

Re: DeWitt Excavating, Permit No. M-1983-132, Mine Identification Problem Abated

Dear Mr. DeWitt:

On November 25, 2024, the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety (Division) received your corrective action documentation for the following problems identified in the Division's October 21, 2024 inspection report:

**PROBLEM #2:** The financial warranty is not adequate to reclaim the site in accordance with the approved reclamation plan. This is a failure to maintain the proper financial warranty amount to complete reclamation of the affected lands pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32.5-117(4)(b) and Rule 4.2.1(1). **CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The operator shall review the enclosed bond estimate and provide any comments or proof of reclamation completed by the corrective action deadline. If, by the corrective action deadline, no comments have been received, the Division will send a separate surety increase notice to the operator regarding the increase of the financial warranty. The operator will have 60 days from the date on the surety increase notice to post the additional financial warranty. **CORRECTIVE ACTION STATUS:** Abated. The operator provided documentation of the new financial warranty for the affected lands that meets the Division's cost estimate.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me by phone at (720) 793-3031, or by email at <a href="mailto:ursula.armstrong@state.co.us">ursula.armstrong@state.co.us</a>.

Sincerely,

Ursula Armstrong

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**Environmental Protection Specialist** 

Cc:

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