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DMR Review, February 2025

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To: "Munz, Bob" <RobertMunz@coreresources.com>

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Bob,

Thank you for submitting a copy of the February 2025 Discharge Monitoring Report. A review letter is attached.

No response is necessary on your part.

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Bob Munz
Mountain Coal Company, LLC
5174 Highway 133
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March 25, 2025

Re: West Elk Mine (Permit No. C-1980-007)
February 2025 Discharge Monitoring Report (CO-0038776)

Dear Mr. Munz,

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (CDRMS) has reviewed and found the above referenced report to be in compliance with Rule 4.05.13(2). The February Discharge Monitoring Report for the above referenced CDPS Permit were received by the Division on 25 March, 2025.

Several outfalls permitted under CO-0038776 discharged during the during the month of February. Exceedances for iron (total recoverable) were reported at outfalls 025, 026, 027 and 032.

The applicable standards, under CO-0038776, for iron at each of the noted outfalls are 1 mg/L 30-day average, and 6 mg/L daily maximum. The report notes that the samples collected at the four noted outfalls contained iron as follows:

- Outfall 25 (conveying stormwater from drainage basin 49A5): 21 mg/L
- Outfall 26 (conveying stormwater from drainage basin 49A3): 47 mg/L
- Outfall 27 (conveying stormwater from drainage basin 49A2): 99 mg/L
- Outfall 32 (conveying stormwater from drainage basins 43A and 43F): 19 mg/L

Additionally, the sample collected from Outfall 30 (conveying stormwater from drainage basins 46B1 and 46B2) contained iron at 30 mg/L, but the standard at that outfall is "Monitor Only".

It is noted that based on a Memorandum of Understanding between CDRMS and the Water Quality Control Division (WQCD), the WQCD will be responsible for enforcing CDPS permit conditions including the above referenced exceedances.

Yours sincerely,

Leigh Simmons
Environmental Protection Specialist

