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DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY Department of Natural Resources

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April 20, 2012

Scott Cowman Peabody Sage Creek Mining, LLC PO Box 250 36600 RCR 27 Hayden, CO 81639-0250 John W. Hickenlooper Governor Mike King Executive Director Loretta E. Piñeda Director

RE: Red Rock Pit, Permit No. M-1978-315, Conversion application (CN1), Approval

Dear Mr. Cowman:

On April 20, 2012 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) approved the 112c Conversion application (CN1) submitted to the Division on May 9, 2011.

The terms of the CN1 approved by the Division are hereby incorporated into Permit No. M-1978-315. All other conditions and requirements of the permit remain in full force and effect.

The Division currently holds a financial warranty amount of \$31,550.00 for this site. The Division has reevaluated the reclamation costs for this site, in order to reflect the operational changes proposed through CN1, and determined that the current financial warranty amount held is sufficient at this time.

If you require additional information, have questions or concerns, please contact me at the DRMS Grand Junction Field Office at 101 South 3rd Street, Suite 301, Grand Junction, CO, 81501, Phone: (970) 243-6299, Fax: (970) 241-1516.

Sincerely,

Dustin Czapla

Environmental Protection Specialist Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety