

STATE OF COLORADO

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Department of Natural Resources

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FROM: G. Russell Means, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist

RE: Cotter Corporation, C-LP-21 Mine, File No. M-1977-305, JD-9 Mine, File No. M-1977-306, JD-6 Mine, File No. M-1977-310, and JD-7 Mine, File No. M-1979-094HR, Notice of Request for Temporary Cessation Status.

This letter is to inform Counties and Municipalities within two miles of a mining operation of the intent of Cotter Corporation to put the above referenced mining operations into a state of temporary cessation (TC). This letter is sent pursuant to the requirement of Rule 1.13.6 (1) of the Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board.

Please be advised that Cotter Corporation whose address is P.O. Box 700, Nucla, Colorado 81424 has filed a Notice of Temporary Cessation with the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety for the C-LP-21, JD-9, JD-6, and JD-7 mining operations. The mining operations are located on or near Monogram and Long Park Mesas in Western Montrose County.

The first period of temporary cessation will commence on December 15, 2012 and will last up to five years from that date until December 14, 2017. The notice submitted to the Division contains information pertaining to the reasons for cessation of the mining operation, a plan for resumption, and the measures taken to comply with reclamation and other necessary activities related to the performance standards of Rule 3 of the Rules and Regulations in order to maintain the mine in a non-producing or non-development state.

The Notice of Temporary Cessation will be placed on the monthly agenda of the February 13~14, 2013 meeting of the Mined Land Reclamation Board. During that meeting, the Board will consider whether or not to accept the Notice.

If you need additional information please contact me at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 S. 3rd St., Suite 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, by telephone at 970.241.1117, or by e-mail at russ.means@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Russell Means".

G. Russell Means
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Attachments: Notice of Temporary Cessation, Cotter Corporation, 12/14/12