STATE OF COLORADO

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February 22, 2013

Southway Construction Company, Inc. Roy Burtraw 117 White Pine Drive Alamosa, CO 81101

RE: Map Errors for Annual Report received February 20, 2013, Costilla Pit, Permit No. M-1987-040

Dear Mr. Burtraw:

On February 20, 2013, the Division received the annual report and map for the above referenced site. The annual report and map were due on the anniversary date of the permit, May 21, 2012. The map, dated February 8, 2012 and received by the Division on February 20, 2013 (the "Map"), is in error and must be corrected prior to the Division accepting the map. Therefore, the Division requires timely response from the Operator, correcting the errors of the Map as discussed below. These errors are further illustrated on an enclosed screen shot from Google Earth.

- The Map delineates the permit boundary at a configuration different from the maps of the approved permit. As shown on the enclosed Exhibit E, dated February 23, 1987, the permit boundary is rectangular shaped. However, according to the recently submitted Map, the permit boundary is delineated as a four-sided polygon, not rectangular, with length and width dimensions greater than those indicated on Exhibit E. Permit records indicate there have been no Technical Revisions or Amendments to the permit whereby the configuration of the permit boundary may have been modified from what was originally approved. Therefore, the permit boundary delineated on Exhibit E, dated February 23, 1987, is the approved permit boundary and the Map, dated February 8, 2012, is in error.
- The Map delineates the permit boundary and/or the access road at a location different from the maps of the approved permit. As shown on Exhibit E, the access road intersects the east permit boundary at the lower third of that boundary, with the permit area extending approximately 535 feet to the north and 260 to the south from the access road. However, according to the recently submitted Map, the access road enters the permit area at the northeast corner, with all portions of the permit area extending south of the access road. According to the Map, the permit area has shifted

approximately 640 feet south of the approved location, relative to the access road. Permit records indicate there have been no Technical Revisions or Amendments to the permit whereby the location of the permit boundary or the access road may have been modified from what was originally approved. Therefore, the location of the permit boundary and access road indicated on Exhibit E, dated February 23, 1987, are the approved location(s) and the Map, dated February 8, 2012, is in error.

 The Map fails to identify all affected lands, as described within the permit documents and in the Division's most recent inspection report, generated from the January 23, 2013 inspection, signed February 4, 2013. Pursuant to Section 34-32.5-116(3)(a) C.R.S., please ensure the corrected map identifies all affected lands associated with the mining activities conducted under this permit, as well as the affected lands for the previous Special 111 permit which existed prior to the permit conversion.

Please ensure the Division has received a corrected map for the annual report, originally due on May 21, 2012, which illustrates the appropriate location and configuration of the permit boundary, and satisfies all applicable requirements of Section 34-32.5-116(3)(a) C.R.S., and Construction Materials Rule 6.2.1(2), by <u>April 5, 2013</u>. Please note, April 5, 2013, is also the deadline by which Southway Construction Company must address a deficiency in the bond, provide photographic evidence of newly installed permit boundary markers, and provide a surveyed map of affected lands, as indicated in the Division's inspection report generated from the January 23, 2013 site inspection, signed February 4, 2013. Failure to comply will result in the Division pursuing enforcement action and civil penalties against Southway Construction Company.

Please contact me at the Division's office in Durango at 691 County Road 233, Suite A-2, Durango, CO 81301, phone (970) 247-5469, if you have any questions.

Singerely,

Wallace H. Erickson Environmental Protection Specialist

Attachment: Certificate of Service

Enclosure:

- 1) Exhibit E of the permit application, dated February 23, 1987;
- 2) Map submitted with annual report, dated February 8, 2012, received February 20, 2013; and
- 3) Screen shot from Google Earth, illustrating the map errors discussed within this correspondence

Ec w/enclosure: Russ Means, DRMS GJFO

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Wallace H. Erickson, hereby certify that on this 22nd day of February, 2013, placed a true copy of the forgoing document, RE: Map Errors for Annual Report received February 20, 2013, Costilla Pit, Permit No. M-1987-040, with enclosures, in the US Mail, postage affixed, addressed to the following:

Southway Construction Company, Inc. Roy Burtraw 117 White Pine Drive Alamosa, CO 81101

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