STATE OF COLORADO

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY

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March 6, 2013

Michael Coleman ACA Products, Inc. P.O. Box 1887 Buena Vista, CO 81211 John W. Hickenlooper Governor

Mike King Executive Director

Loretta Piñeda Director

RE: Avery Construction Pit, Permit No. M-1979-011, Citizen Complaint

Dear Mr. Coleman:

On March 6, 2013 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received the attached complaint regarding the construction of a berm around the property located just north of the Avery Construction Pit. During our telephone conversation on March 4, 2013 you indicated that construction of the berm was requested by the town of Buena Vista. You also indicated that the berm was to be a permanent feature at the property and that the material used for constructing the berm was not needed for reclamation of the Avery Construction Pit. Please submit a written response to the complaint to the Division by Friday, March 15, 2013. Along with your response please include correspondence from the town of Buena Vista documenting their request for construction of the berm. Also, please describe the material used for constructing the berm. Review of the permit file indicates that there is not excess topsoil at the site, and that all available topsoil shall be salvaged for reclamation. Please demonstrate that there is adequate topsoil available for reclamation.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please contact me at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office.

Sincerely,

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