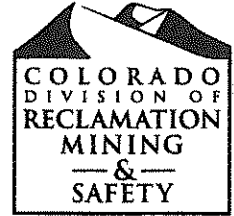


STATE OF COLORADO

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY
Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman St., Room 215
Denver, Colorado 80203
Phone: (303) 866-3567
FAX: (303) 832-8106



May 17, 2013

John M. Clement
Executive VP & General Council
Ouray 79 Mining, LLC
P.O. Box 1917
Forney, TX 75126

John W. Hickenlooper
Governor

Mike King
Executive Director

Loretta E. Piñeda
Director

Via US Mail and Fax (972) 564-2190

RE: Receipt of Notice of Intent to Conduct Prospecting, Wanakah Mine

Dear Mr. Clement:

On May 17, 2013, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received the Notice of Intent (NOI) for the Wanakah Mine. The non-confidential Form 2 will be posted on the Division's web site as soon as possible. Any public comment on the Wanakah Mine NOI must be received by the Division within 10 working days after the posting date.

The Division has commenced its review of the NOI and will contact you within 20 workings days of the posting date regarding any deficiencies for the NOI. Please note the Division has not yet accepted or approved the Wanakah Mine NOI. At this time you are not authorized to commence the proposed prospecting activities, pursuant to Rule 5.1.3(a).

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

Sincerely,

Wallace H. Erickson
Environmental Protection Specialist

ec: Russ Means, DRMS GJFO