STATE OF COLORADO

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY

Department of Natural Resources

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July 22, 2013

Sara Sauter Western Slope Conservation Center P.O. Box 1612 Paonia, CO 81428

Re: Elk Creek Mine (Permit No. C-1981-022)

Revision: TR-75

TR-75 Sanborn Creek Pipeline and Borehole

Dear Ms. Sauter:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has received a revision for the Elk Creek Mine. The revision was deemed complete on July 22, 2013. The decision due date is September 20, 2013.

Oxbow Mining, LLC proposes to construct an elevated pad to facilitate a drill rig, methane pump and monitoring equipment at the sealed and reclaimed Sanborn Creek portal area. Oxbow plans to drill a degas borehole into the Sanborn Creek sealed mine to recover methane gas and transfer the gas via a pipeline to the Elk Creek electrical generating facility that was approved in TR-73. The proposed project will be on surface owned by Oxbow, LLC. No new disturbance is proposed and a COGCC permit will be obtained for the degas borehole.

This revision application is available for review at the Delta County Clerk and Recorder, 501 Palmer Street, Room 211, Delta, CO 81416.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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