

STATE OF COLORADO

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY

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August 1, 2013

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John W. Hickenlooper
Governor

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Executive Director

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Director

Re: West Elk Mine (Permit No. C-1980-007)
Revision: MR-394
Changes to Lower Refuse Pile Drainage

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has received a revision for the West Elk Mine. The revision was deemed complete on August 1, 2013. The decision due date is August 11, 2013.

The mountain Coal Company has submitted a Minor Revision to the West Elk Mine to make a minor change to the Lower Refuse Pile Drainage. The revision proposes to remove an existing culvert and replace it with an open channel ditch. There will be no change in the mine's permit or disturbed area as a result of this revision. There will be no change in the mine's reclamation liability as a result of the proposed changes in this revision.

This revision application is available for review at the Gunnison County Clerk and Recorder, 221 N. Wisconsin, Gunnison, CO 81230.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James R. Stark", enclosed within a blue oval.

James R. Stark
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