STATE OF COLORADO

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY

Department of Natural Resources

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August 18, 2013

Town of Paonia P.O. Box 460 Paonia, CO 81428

Re: West Elk Mine (Permit No. C-1980-007)

Revision: MR-396

Minor Revision No. MR-396 RPE Minor Draiange Revision.

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 18, 2013. The decision due date is August 28, 2013.

The Mountain Coal Company has submitted a Minor Revision to the West Elk Mine's permit. The revision proposes to add a short length of HDPE pipe to an existing ditch at the RPE to direct the water away from slope that tends to hold water. There is no proposed increase in teh mine's permit or disturbance boundaries as a result of this revision. There will be no change to the mine's bond liability as a result of 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,

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