



Peabody Western Coal Company

February 26, 2015

15-03-04-08

Ms. Amy McGregor
Office of Surface Mining
Reclamation & Enforcement
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320
Denver, CO 80202-3050

Re: Peabody Western Coal Company/ Kayenta Mine / Permit AZ-0001E / Permit Renewal

Dear Ms. McGregor:

The current five-year term of the Kayenta Mine Permit AZ-0001E has an expiration date of July 6, 2015. Pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 30, Chapter VII, Subchapter E, Part 750 and Subchapter G, Parts 773 and 774, enclosed please find eleven copies of an application for renewal of Surface Mine Permit AZ-0001E. Peabody Western Coal Company (PWCC) is requesting this permit be renewed for a five-year term (July 6, 2015 through July 5, 2020). No new permit area is proposed beyond that which is currently approved. No new coal leases are associated with this five-year permit term renewal application.

The application package contains all information required by 30 CFR 774.15(a) and (b) as listed in the enclosed Table of Contents. No additional updated information per 30 CFR 774.15(b)(2)(v) is included; however, PWCC will provide information as required by the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement Western Region (OSM) during their technical review. The renewal does not propose any revisions to the approved mining and reclamation plan. A notarized verification and certification statement is enclosed per 30 CFR 777.11(c), 778.9(a), (b), and (d), and 843.12. PWCC will also submit the enclosed proposed certification statement shortly before OSM issues the 5-year permit renewal.

According to 30 CFR 773.6(a)(b), 774.15(b)(2)(iv), and 778.21, once OSM has determined the application to be administratively complete, PWCC will commence the publication process and provide a complete application for public inspection. A copy of the approved newspaper advertisement and proof of publication shall be filed with OSM and shall be made part of the application within four weeks after the last date of publication.

Please contact Jimmy Boswell or me if you have any questions concerning the enclosed material.

Respectfully,

Randolph S. Lehn
Director Environmental Services SW

Encl.

c: J. Boswell (PEC)
M. Shepherd (PWCC-KC) w/o encl.

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VERIFICATION & CERTIFICATION

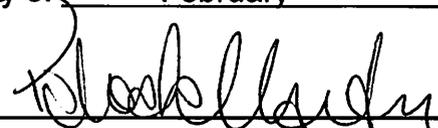
Per 30 CFR 777.11(c), I verify under oath that the information contained in this application for a permit renewal is true and correct to the best of my information and belief. To comply with the requirements of 30 CFR 778.9(a), (b), and (d), I certify under oath that the AVS information, regarding ownership and control and notice of violation information is accurate, complete, and up-to-date to the best of my information and belief. I hereby certify that for each notice of violation issued pursuant to 30 CFR 843.12 for which the abatement period has not expired, Peabody Western Coal Company is in the process of correcting such notices of violation to the satisfaction of the agency with jurisdiction over the violations.

Signature of Responsible Official 

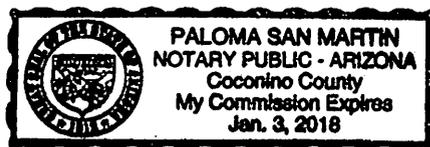
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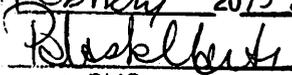
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME BY Randolph S. Lehn

This 27 Day of February 2015

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STATE OF ARIZONA
COUNTY COCONINO
SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME BY Randolph Lehn
ON THIS 27 DAY OF February 2015.

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