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Mr. Mychal Yellowman
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14-12-12-48

Re: Pinabete SMCRA Permit (OSM Permit NM-0042-A-P) (Revision 1404) Notification of Internal Corporate Restructure of Operator and Updated Ownership and Control Information

Dear Mr. Yellowman:

BHP Billiton Mine Management Company (MMCo) hereby provides notification of a restructuring of BHP Billiton New Mexico Coal Inc. (BBNMC). As a part of the restructuring, 100% of BBNMC's stock was transferred from BHP Holdings Pty Ltd. to BHP Billiton MetCoal Holdings Pty Ltd. on October 27, 2014. MMCo's ultimate parent company, BHP Billiton Limited, did not change.

The restructuring will not result in any on the ground changes for the Pinabete Permit (OSM Permit application NM-0042-A-P). Nor are any of MMCo's or BBNMC's officers and directors changing.

This revision update is based on and updates files found in MMCo's Revision 1402 "Navajo Transitional Energy Company ownership update to the Pinabete SMCRA Permit (OSM Permit NM-0042-A-P)" (submitted to OSM on July 7, 2014). Instructions for the replacement of the revised Pinabete Permit Application Package follow:

Part 1- Legal, Financial, Compliance, and Related Information

Section 4- Permittee Ownership and Control (.../Section 4 Permittee Ownership and Control)

- Overwrite the existing "Section 4 Permittee Ownership and Control.docx" file with the revised "Section 4 Permittee Ownership and Control.docx" file dated Nov. 21, 2014 and accept changes.

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Please let us know if you have any questions or if we can provide additional information to assist your understanding of the corporate restructuring.

Sincerely,



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