

PLATEAU MINING CORPORATION

P.O. Box 30
 Helper, UT 84526

Dennis N. Ware
 Controller and
 Administrative Manager

September 26, 2006

Ms. Pamela Grubaugh-Littig
 Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210
 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

RE: Permit Renewal, Star Point Mine, Plateau Mining Corporation, C/007/0006,
 Carbon County, Utah. *#2658*

Dear Ms. Grubaugh-Littig:

Plateau Mining Corporation hereby files application for renewal of permit C/007/0006 to operate under the provisions of the Utah Coal Mining and Reclamation Act. The legal description of the permit area can be found in the enclosed proposed newspaper notice.

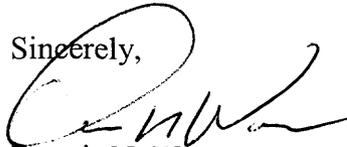
This permit renewal package includes the following in compliance with the application requirements (R645-303-232):

- An application for renewal of a permit filed with the Division at least 120 days before expiration of the existing permit term (1/27/2007);
- Evidence of a liability insurance policy;
- Evidence of a performance bond in effect for the operation;
- A copy of the proposed newspaper notice as required by R645-300-121.100 and;
- Proof of publication of newspaper notice (to be submitted after completion of publication).

In addition to the aforementioned items we have included current ownership and control information which belongs in the Confidential Binder.

Should you have any questions please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,


 Dennis N. Ware

Refer to Confidential 09262006
 file in C0070006 2006
 for additional information

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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

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APPLICATION FOR COAL PERMIT PROCESSING

Permit Change New Permit Renewal Exploration Bond Release Transfer

Permittee: Plateau Mining Corporation

Mine: Star Point

Permit Number: C/007/0006

Title: Star Point Permit Renewal

Description, Include reason for application and timing required to implement:

Renewal date for the Star Point Permit is January 27, 2007.

Instructions: If you answer yes to any of the first eight (gray) questions, this application may require Public Notice publication.

- Yes No 1. Change in the size of the Permit Area? Acres: _____ Disturbed Area: _____ increase decrease.
- Yes No 2. Is the application submitted as a result of a Division Order? DO# _____
- Yes No 3. Does the application include operations outside a previously identified Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Area?
- Yes No 4. Does the application include operations in hydrologic basins other than as currently approved?
- Yes No 5. Does the application result from cancellation, reduction or increase of insurance or reclamation bond?
- Yes No 6. Does the application require or include public notice publication?
- Yes No 7. Does the application require or include ownership, control, right-of-entry, or compliance information?
- Yes No 8. Is proposed activity within 100 feet of a public road or cemetery or 300 feet of an occupied dwelling?
- Yes No 9. Is the application submitted as a result of a Violation? NOV # _____
- Yes No 10. Is the application submitted as a result of other laws or regulations or policies?
Explain: _____
- Yes No 11. Does the application affect the surface landowner or change the post mining land use?
- Yes No 12. Does the application require or include underground design or mine sequence and timing? (Modification of R2P2)
- Yes No 13. Does the application require or include collection and reporting of any baseline information?
- Yes No 14. Could the application have any effect on wildlife or vegetation outside the current disturbed area?
- Yes No 15. Does the application require or include soil removal, storage or placement?
- Yes No 16. Does the application require or include vegetation monitoring, removal or revegetation activities?
- Yes No 17. Does the application require or include construction, modification, or removal of surface facilities?
- Yes No 18. Does the application require or include water monitoring, sediment or drainage control measures?
- Yes No 19. Does the application require or include certified designs, maps or calculation?
- Yes No 20. Does the application require or include subsidence control or monitoring?
- Yes No 21. Have reclamation costs for bonding been provided?
- Yes No 22. Does the application involve a perennial stream, a stream buffer zone or discharges to a stream?
- Yes No 23. Does the application affect permits issued by other agencies or permits issued to other entities?

Please attach four (4) review copies of the application. If the mine is on or adjacent to Forest Service land please submit five (5) copies, thank you. (These numbers include a copy for the Price Field Office)

I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments, undertakings, and obligations, herein.

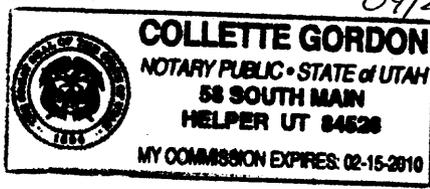
Dennis N Work
Print Name

[Signature] Controller
Sign Name, Position, Date
09/26/06

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26 day of Sept., 2006

Collette Gordon
Notary Public

My commission Expires: 02-15, 2010
Attest: State of Utah } ss:
County of Carbon



For Office Use Only: 	Assigned Tracking Number:	Received by Oil, Gas & Mining RECEIVED SEP 28 2006 DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING
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Replaces Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America Bond No. _____ and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company Bond No. _____ and National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, PA Bond No. _____

Exhibit "B" – **BONDING AGREEMENT**

Bond No. _____

SURETY BOND

Permit Number: ACT/007/006

**SURETY BOND
(FEDERAL COAL)**

THIS SURETY BOND entered into and by and between the undersigned **PERMITTEE**, and **SURETY COMPANY**, hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators, executors, successors, and assigns unto the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas & Mining (**DIVISION**), and the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (**OSM**) in the penal sum of \$7,796,000.00 (Surety Bond Amount) for the timely performance of reclamation responsibilities of the surface disturbance described in Exhibit "A" of this **RECLAMATION AGREEMENT**.

This **SURETY BOND** shall remain in effect until all of the **PERMITTEE**'s reclamation obligation have been met and released by the **DIVISION** and is conditioned upon faithful performance of all of the requirement of the Act, the applicable rules and regulations, SMCRA, the approved permit, and the **DIVISION**.

The **SURETY** will not cancel this bond at any time for any reason, including non-payment of premium or bankruptcy of the Principal during the period of liability.

The **SURETY** and their successors and assigns, agree to guarantee the obligation and to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the **DIVISION** and **OSM** from any and all expenses which the **DIVISION** and **OSM** may sustain as a result of the **PERMITTEE**'s failure to comply with the condition(s) of the reclamation obligation.

The **SURETY** will give prompt notice to the **PERMITTEE** and to the **DIVISION** and **OSM** of any notice received or action alleging to insolvency or bankruptcy of the **SURETY**, or alleging any violations or regulatory requirement which could result in suspension or revocation of the **SURETY**'s license.

Terms for release or adjustment of this **BOND** are as written and agreed to by the **DIVISION** and the **PERMITTEE** in the **RECLAMATION AGREEMENT** incorporated by reference herein, to which this **SURETY AGREEMENT** has been attached as Exhibit "B".

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the **PERMITTEE** has hereunto set its signature and seal this 5th day of August, 2004.

**PLATEAU MINING CORPORATION
PERMITTEE**

By: _____

Title: _____

Samuel D. Roland
V.P. Controller

Bond No.: _____

Permit Number: ACT/007/006

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the SURETY has hereunto set its signature and seal this 30th day of July, 2004.

TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY
COMPANY OF AMERICA
SURETY

By: Joseph R. Poplawski
Joseph R. Poplawski

Title: Attorney-In-Fact

ACCEPTED BY THE STATE OF UTAH:

James P. Bruff

Director, Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

NOTE: An Affidavit of Qualification must be completed and attached to this form for each authorized agent or officer. Where one signs by virtue of Power of Attorney for a company, such Power of Attorney must be filed with this Agreement. If the PERMITTEE is a corporation, the Agreement shall be executed by its duly authorized officer.

RIDER

To be attached to Bond No. _____ issued by
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America

(As Surety) in the amount of Seven Million Seven Hundred Ninety Six Thousand and 00/100 -----
----- (\$ 7,796,000.00)

Dollars, effective the 30th day of July, 2004

ON BEHALF OF PLATEAU MINING CORPORATION

IN FAVOR OF STATE OF UTAH

In consideration of the premium charged for the attached bond, it is mutually understood and agreed by the Principal and the Surety that: **THE BOND AMOUNT IS HEREBY DECREASED FROM THE ABOVE AMOUNT TO THREE MILLION ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED AND NO/100-----(\$3,118,400.00)**

All other items, limitations and conditions of said bond except as herein expressly modified shall remain unchanged.

This rider shall be effective as of the 12th day of October, 2004

Signed, sealed and dated this the 2nd day of November, 2004

PLATEAU MINING CORPORATION
Principal
BY: Derrell H. Roland
Derrell H. Roland
Vice President and Controller

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
Surety
BY: Joy M. Williams
Joy M. Williams, Attorney-in-Fact

Accepted:

Public Notice

Notice is hereby given that Plateau Mining Corporation, 847 Northwest Highway 191, Helper, Utah 84526 has filed application with the State of Utah Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining for a five-year permit renewal of Permit No. C/007/0006 to operate under the provisions of the Utah Coal Mining and Reclamation Act and the Utah R645 Coal Mining Rules.

The permit area is located in Carbon and Emery counties, Utah as follows:

Township 14 South, Range 7 East, SLB&M

Section 34: Lots 3, 4, N1/2SE1/4

Township 15 South, Range 7 East, SLB&M

Section 1: S1/2
Section 2: Lots 2 through 7, 10 through 12, SW1/4, W1/2SE1/4, SE1/4SE1/4
Section 3: Lots 1, 2, 7 through 10, E1/2SE1/4, E1/2W1/2SE1/4
Section 10: E1/2E1/2, E1/2, E1/2NW1/4NE1/4
Section 11: All
Section 12: All
Section 13: N1/2
Section 14: All
Section 15: E1/2E1/2NE1/4, E1/2E1/2SE1/4
Section 22: E1/2E1/2NE1/4NE1/4, Parts of E1/2SE1/4SE1/4,
Parts of E1/2NE1/4SE1/4, Parts of E1/2E1/2SE1/4E1/4
Section 23: All
Section 25: W1/2NW1/4
Section 26: N1/2
Section 27: E1/2E1/2NE1/4NE1/4

Township 15 South, Range 8 East SLB&M

Section 5: Lots 4, 5, 12, NW1/4SW1/4
Section 6: Lots 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 14, E1/2SW1/4, SE1/4
Section 7: All
Section 8: W1/2NW1/4, SW1/4, SE1/4SE1/4, S1/4SW1/4SE1/4
Section 9: SW1/4SW1/4, E1/2SW1/4, SE1/4
Section 10: SW1/4, W1/2SE1/4, SE1/4SE1/4
Section 15: N1/2N1/2
Section 16: All
Section 17: E1/2, NW1/4, NW1/4SW1/4 North of the Right Fork Miller Creek
Section 18: N1/2, N1/2SE1/4, NE1/4SW1/4, N1/2NW1/4SW1/4
Section 20: NE1/4
Section 21: E1/2NW1/4

The permit area is shown on the following U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute maps; Wattis and Hiawatha.

The Mining and Reclamation Plan is available for public review at: Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, Coal Program, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, and at the Price Field Office, 455 West Railroad Ave., Price, Utah 84501.

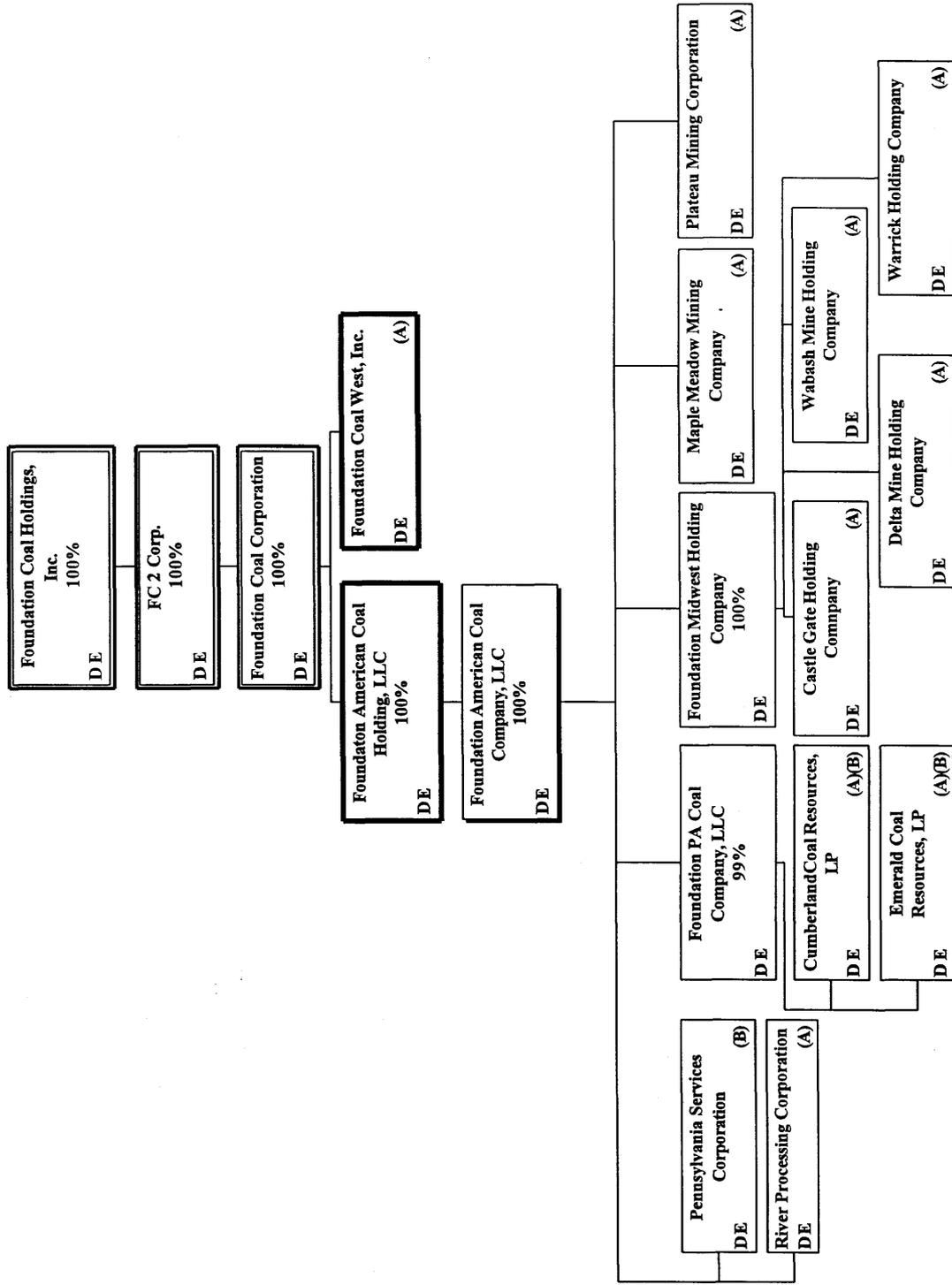
Written comments, objections and requests for information conferences on this proposal may be submitted to the Utah Division of Oil Gas and Mining at:

Utah Coal Program
Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210
P.O. Box 145801
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

Closing date for submission of comments, objections and requests for public hearing or information conference on his proposal must be submitted by _____, 2006.

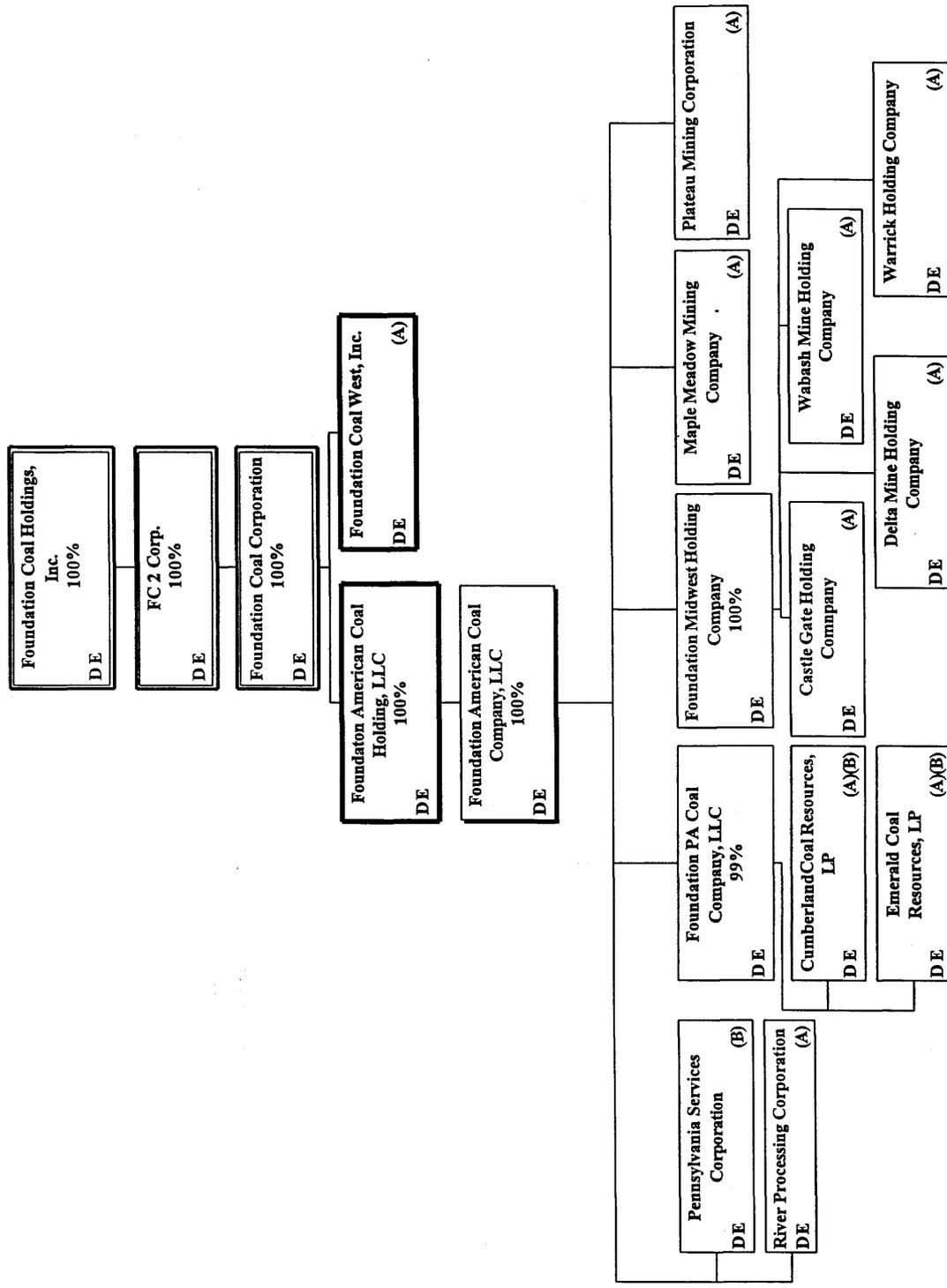
Published in the Sun Advocate on _____, _____, _____, and _____, 2006.

FOUNDATION AMERICAN COAL COMPANY, LLC Corporate Structure
Companies holding mining permits and parent companies



(A) Companies holding mining permits
 (B) Pennsylvania Services Corporation is the General Partner of Cumberland Coal Resources, LP and Emerald Coal Resources, LP and owns 1% of each. Foundation PA Coal Company, LLC is the Limited Partner of each.

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Figure 112.2 Exhibit 112.300a