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June 24, 2013

Dennis Ware, Controller  
Plateau Mining Corporation  
P.O. Box 30  
Helper, Utah 84526-0030

Subject: 2012 Annual Report Review Completion, Star Point Mine, C/007/0006, Task ID #4261

Dear Mr. Ware:

The Division staff has completed the review of the 2012 Annual Report. Enclosed is a copy of the review with each reviewer's comments completed on June 24, 2013.

Thank you for your diligence in completing the Annual Report. If you have any questions, please call me at (801) 538-5325.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock  
Coal Program Manager

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Enclosure  
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# Annual Report

This Annual Report shows information the Division has for your mine. Submit the completed document and any additional information identified in the Appendices to the Division by the date specified in the cover letter. During a complete inspection an inspector will check and verify the information.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Company Name Plateau Mining Corporation

Mine Name Star Point Mine

Permit Number C/007/0006

Permit expiration Date January 28, 2017

Operator Name Plateau Mining Corporation

Phone Number +1 (435) 472-0475

Mailing Address P.O. Box 30

Email dware@alphanr.com

City Helper

State Utah

Zip Code 84526

## DOGM File Location or Annual Report Location

Excess Spoil Piles

- Required  
 Not Required

None

Refuse Piles

- Required  
 Not Required

None

Impoundments

- Required  
 Not Required

None

Other:

## OPERATOR COMMENTS

## REVIEWER COMMENTS

Met Requirements  Did Not meet Requirements

The permittee has requested Phase III bond release. The inspection will take place on May 23, 2013.

## REPORTING OF OTHER TECHNICAL DATA

Please list other technical data or information that was not included in the form above, but is required under the approved plan, which must be periodically submitted to the Division.

Please list attachments:

Year-Ten Vegetation Study Conducted by MT Nebo Scientific Titled "Revegetation Monitoring for Phase III Bond Release Year 2 (2012)".

### Reviewer Comments

Reviewed by Ingrid Campbell on May 14, 2013. The year ten vegetation monitoring was conducted on the reclaimed areas consisting of the following three vegetation communities: Sage brush, Mountain grassland and Saltbush. These reclaimed areas were compared to the associated reference area and identified as either pre-smcra or post-smcra areas. All areas had a higher percentage of total living cover relative to the reference area. All three community types had a pre-set woody species density standard of 2,000 individuals per acre. All reclaimed areas had more than the 2,000 individual success standard. Annual biomass production for post smcra sites was above the production in the associated reference areas. Biomass production was calculated on pre-smcra sites by the NRCS. A letter and photographs from the NRCS are attached to the report. The company has applied for phase III bond release and a site inspection is scheduled for May 23, 2013.

# MAPS

Copies of mine maps, current and up-to-date, are to be provided to the Division as an attachment to this report in accordance with the requirements of R645-301-525.240. The map copies shall be made in accordance with 30 CFR 75.1200 as required by MSHA. Mine maps are not considered confidential.

Map Name	Map Number	Included		Confidential	
		Yes	No	Yes	No
Mine in Reclamation Monitoring Phase		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Reviewer Comments     Met Requirements                       Did Not Meet Requirements

As of June 3, 2013, The Star Point Mine was given Conditional Approval for Phase III Bond Release. Annual Report requirements for 2012 were adequately met (JCO).