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Elliot Finley, Resident Agent
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Subject: Slurry Pond Abandonment, Hiawatha Coal Company, Hiawatha Mine, C/007/0011, Task #3343

Dear Mr. Finley:

The above-referenced amendment is approved effective July 15, 2009. The slurry pond abandonment approval letters issued by the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) will be incorporated into Appendix V-16 of the Hiawatha Mine MRP. Please note that the slurry pond abandonment plan section of the MRP states that a detailed plan with cut and fill volumes and final surface contours will be submitted to the Division prior to final reclamation.

This modification does not necessitate an update to the Technical Analysis. A stamped incorporated copy is enclosed for your copy of the Mining and Reclamation Plan. If you have any questions, please feel free to call April Abate at (801) 538-5214.

Sincerely,

James D. Smith
Permit Supervisor

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Enclosure

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