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Subject: Gordon Creek 2, 7, & 8 Mines



Dear Pam:

I have completed correcting and uploading the 4th quarter of 2000 Water Monitoring report for Mountain Coal Company, LLC's Gordon Creek 2, 7, and 8 Mines. Unfortunately, the field conductivity meter malfunctioned and the reported values are suspect. However, the lab reported conductivity measurements for each of the samples obtained. Additionally, each of the field dissolved oxygen values appeared abnormally high. EIS, which is contracted to perform the water monitoring for Mountain Coal, is either purchasing or repairing their field equipment to avoid this type of occurrence in the future.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please let me know.

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