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Re: Determination of Administrative Completeness for Revisions to Exhibit 20, Crandall Canyon Reclamation Plan, Plateau Mining Corporation, Willow Creek Mine, 007038-SR01A, O

Dear Mr. Pappas :

The Division has completed a review of the information you submitted on January 8, 2001. This application is considered to be administratively complete. A copy of our review worksheet is enclosed for your information and records.

At this time you should publish a Notice of Complete Application for change of post mining land use in Crandall Canyon as required by R645-300-121. A copy of the Affidavit of Publication should be sent to the Division as soon as it is available. You should also insure that a copy of the application for permit revision is on file at the appropriate County Courthouse.

A technical review of your plan has been initiated. The Division will also coordinate with other agencies and incorporate their comments into our review process. Issues raised will need to be resolved prior to permit issuance. We anticipate that additional information may be necessary to make your application technically complete and look forward to working with you throughout the permitting process. Please call me at 538-5325 or Priscilla Burton at 538-5288, if you have any questions.

Thank you for your help in the permitting process.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock
Permit Supervisor

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Enclosure:

cc: Price Field Office

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**ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS REVIEW WORKSHEET
(R645-301-150)**

DATE: February 9, 2001 REVIEWER(S): Paul Baker, Gregg Galecki, Priscilla Burton, Pete Hess

APPLICANT: Plateau Mining Corporation MINE NAME: Willow Creek Mine FILE NO. SR01A

"Administratively Complete Application" means an application for permit approval or approval for coal exploration, where required, which the Division determines to contain information addressing each application requirement of the State Program and to contain all information necessary to initiate processing and public review.

Directions: The categories listed below correspond to the minimum requirements for information necessary to initiate processing and public review. If a category is checked the Applicant has met the Completeness requirement for that category. If a category is not checked, the Completeness requirements have not been met. The comments column will identify the deficiency and what is necessary to correct it.

		Comments
301-112	Identification of Interests <u> X </u>	
100	Applicant's Business Structure <u> X </u>	
210	Applicant's Name/Address/Phone <u> X </u>	
220	Resident Agent's Name/Address/Phone <u> X </u>	
230	Name/Address/Phone of AML Fees Payer <u> X </u>	
300	Corporate Structure & Ownership <u> X </u>	
400	Identify Other Mining Operations in US <u> X </u>	

500	Surface & Mineral Ownership	<u> X </u>	
600	Ownership Contiguous to Permit	<u> X </u>	The current plan addresses this regulation, but the information will need to be updated.
700	MSHA Numbers	<u> X </u>	
800	Interest in Contiguous Lands	<u> X </u>	

301-113	Violation Information	<u> X </u>	
100	Suspension or Revocation Information	<u> X </u>	
300	List of Violations - 3 Previous Years	<u> X </u>	

301-114	Right of Entry	<u> X </u>	
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301-115	Status of Unsuitability Claims	<u> X </u>	
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301-116	Permit Term	<u> X </u>	
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301-117	<p>....Insurance <u> X </u></p> <p>....Proof of Publication <u> X </u></p> <p>....Facilities and Structures Used in Common <u> X </u></p>	<hr/> <p><u>Will need to be included.</u></p>
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301-118	<p>Filing Fee <u> N/A </u></p>	
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301-123	<p>Notarized Signature of Responsible Official <u> X </u></p>	
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301-130	<p>Information Collection: Technical Data Accompanied by Names of Persons or Organizations that Collected and Analyzed the Data - Dates of Collections - and Analysis of the Data and Description of the Methodology Used to Collect and Analyze Data <u> X </u></p>	
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301-200	<p>Soils <u> X </u></p>	
211	<p>Description of Premining Soil Resources <u> X </u></p>	
221	<p>Prime Farmland Investigation <u> X </u></p>	

222	Soil Survey	<u>X</u>	
224	Substitute Topsoil Info (When Proposed)	<u>X</u>	Substitute topsoil has been identified in App 3.7S. Salvage plans are vague in this amendment and will be commented upon the Technical Analysis.
230	Operation Plan: Topsoil Handling/Removal/Storage	<u>X</u>	
240	Reclamation Plan: Soil Redistribution/Stabilization	<u>X</u>	The backfilling and grading plan is vague and will be commented upon in the Technical Analysis.

301-300	Biology	<u>X</u>	
320	Vegetation Information	<u>X</u>	
322	Fish and Wildlife Information	<u>X</u>	
323	Maps/Photos: Vegetation-Fish-Wildlife Areas	<u>X</u>	
330	Operation Plan: Vegetation-Fish-Wildlife Protection	<u>X</u>	
341	Reclamation Plan for Revegetation	<u>X</u>	
342	Fish & Wildlife Plan for Reclamation Phase	<u>X</u>	

301-400	Land Use and Air Quality	<u> X </u>	
411	Pre-Mining Land Use Information (Includes Cultural Resources)	<u> X </u>	
412	Post-Mining Land Use Information	<u> X </u>	The application gives some information about the alternative postmining land use requirements but will need to address them further.

301-500	Engineering	<u> X </u>	
510 and 520	General Description of Operation Plan: (Maps, Locations, Cross-Sections, Narrative, Descriptions & Calculations)	<u> X </u>	
522	Coal Recovery Description	<u> X </u>	Not applicable
523	Mining Methods	<u> X </u>	See page 3.7-2, paragraph 3, "no mining intended in Crandall Canyon until market conditions warrant"
524	Blasting and Explosives Plan	<u> X </u>	Covered in approved mining and reclamation plan, 4.5.2.2, Exhibit 15
525	Subsidence Control Plan	<u> X </u>	Covered in approved mining and reclamation plan, 4.5.2.2, Exhibit 16
526	Mine Facilities Description (Narrative, Plans, Maps) Including Existing Structures & Support Facilities	<u> X </u>	For Crandall Canyon, see Exhibits 3.7-3A, B, C and D in Exhibit 19 of the approved M&RP
527	Transportation Facilities (Including Plans & Maps)	<u> X </u>	See pg. 3.7-30 and 3.7-5(2) Postmining Land Use
528	Coal Mine Waste Plans (Description & Designs)	<u> X </u>	Not applicable to Crandall Canyon area, although Appendix 3.7S, page 11, para 2, indicates that coal fines were found in the soils pit at a depth of 4' and that the extent of the coal fines is unknown. The plan calls for burial of the fines in the fill.
529	Management of Mine Openings (Design)	<u> X </u>	See page 3.7-33

531	General Plans for Structures	<u> X </u>	See page 3.7-32, Demolition
532	Sediment Control	<u> X </u>	See page 3.7-53
533	Impoundments	<u> X </u>	

301-534	Roads (Plans, Drawings, Designs, & Specifications)	<u> X </u>	
535	Spoil	<u> X </u>	Not applicable; Crandall Canyon is not associated with a surface mining operation
536	Coal Mine Waste	<u> X </u>	Not applicable, see page 3.7-37, bottom paragraph, although Appendix 3.7S, page 11, para 2, indicates that coal fines were found in the soils pit at a depth of 4' and that the extent of the coal fines is unknown. The plan calls for burial of the fines in the fill.
537	Regraded Slopes	<u> X </u>	See page 3.7-37 & 3.7-41
540 541-542	Reclamation Narrative, Maps and Plans	<u> X </u>	Main topic of submittal
551	Casing and Sealing: Underground Openings	<u> X </u>	See page 3.7-33
553	Backfilling and Grading Description	<u> X </u>	See page 3.7-35 and 3.7-5(3)(3)

301-600	Geology	<u> X </u>	no change from current MRP
621	Description of Geology (Permit & Adjacent Area)	<u> X </u>	no change from current MRP

622	Geologic Cross-Sections, Maps, and Plans	<u> X </u>	no change from current MRP
630	Plans for Casing and Sealing Holes	<u> X </u>	

301-700	Hydrology	<u> X </u>	
721	Description of Hydrologic Resources: (Permit and Adjacent Area)	<u> X </u>	
722	Cross-Sections and Maps: Subsurface Water - X Surface Water - Monitoring Stations - Wells	<u> </u>	
723	Sampling and Analysis	<u> X </u>	
724	Baseline Information: Ground Water - Surface Water - Geology - Climatological & Supplemental; If Needed	<u> X </u>	
728	PHC Determination	<u> X </u>	
730	General Operation Plan: Minimize Disturbance to Hydrologic Balance & Compliance with Clean Water Act	<u> X </u>	
731	Ground and Surface Water Protection	<u> X </u>	
732	Ground and Surface Water Monitoring	<u> X </u>	

301-740	Plans and Designs: Operation and Reclamation Plan Sediment Control Measures	<u> X </u>	
	....Siltation Structures	<u> X </u>	
	....Sediment Ponds	<u> X </u>	
	....Other Treatment Facilities	<u> X </u>	
	....Diversions	<u> X </u>	
	....Road Drainage	<u> X </u>	
	....Impoundments	<u> X </u>	
	....Discharge Structures	<u> X </u>	
	....Disposal of Excess Spoil	<u> X </u>	
	....Coal Mine Waste	<u> X </u>	
	....Disposal of Non-Coal Mine Waste	<u> X </u>	
	....Casing and Sealing of Wells	<u> X </u>	

301-800	Bonding and Insurance	<u> X </u>	See Exhibit 17
820	Applicant: Have Adequate Bond at Permit Issuance	<u> X </u>	
830	Bond Estimate and Calculations Provided	<u> X </u>	

890	Certificate of Insurance Provided	<u> X </u>	
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302-200	Special Categories of Mining	<u> NA </u>	
210	Experimental Practices Mining	<u> NA </u>	
220	Mountaintop Removal Mining	<u> NA </u>	
230	Steep Slope Mining	<u> NA </u>	
240	Auger Mining	<u> NA </u>	
250	In Situ Processing Activities	<u> NA </u>	

302-260	Coal Processing Plants (Not Located Within Permit Area of Mine)	<u> NA </u>	
270	Variances From Approximate Original Contour Restoration Requirements	<u> NA </u>	
280	Variances for Delay in Contemporaneous Reclamation Requirement in Combined Surface and Underground Coal Mining Activities	<u> NA </u>	
290	Small Operator Assistance Program (SOAP)	<u> NA </u>	

302-300	Special Areas of Mining	<u>NA</u>
301	Prime Farmland	<u>NA</u>
302	Alluvial Valley Floors	<u>NA</u>