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September 19, 2005

Ms. Pamela Grubaugh-Littig  
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*Incoming  
C/007/0038  
#2344*

**Re: Phase I and III Bond Release Application, Preparation Plant and Refuse Pile, Plateau Mining Corporation, Willow Creek Mine, C/007/038, Carbon County, Utah**

Dear Ms. Grubaugh-Littig:

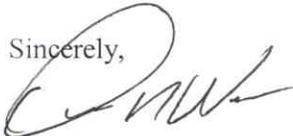
Plateau Mining Corporation (PMC) is herewith submitting its application for Phase I Bond Release on 49.1 acres of land related to the Schoolhouse Canyon Refuse Pile and Phase III Bond Release on 46.2 acres of land related to the Preparation Plant Area of the Willow Creek Mine. The reclamation of the Refuse Pile and Preparation Plant Area was completed in the spring of 2004.

The attached application includes the reclamation certification, C1 and C2 forms, text page replacements, a new as-built appendix including text, tables, hydrology calculations, and maps as well as the public notice and notification letters to land owners government agencies.

PMC believes that it has assembled a complete bond release application that adequately addresses the requirements for bond release. A timely review of this application which would allow time for completing both the informal and formal site inspections this year would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Dennis N. Ware  
Controller and Administrative Manager

Enclosures

Enviro/PermitActions/WillowCreek/PreparationPlantandRefusePile/CoverLetter

file In C 0070038 Incoming  
Date: 09192005, Refer to:

- Confidential
- Shelf
- Expandable

For additional information

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Plateau Mining Corporation  
Willow Creek Mine  
C/007/038

Phase I Bond Release on 49.1 acres of land related to the Coal Refuse Pile and Phase III Bond Release on 46.2 acres of land related to the Preparation Plant at the Willow Creek Mine.

I hereby certify to the best of my information and belief all the information contained in this request is true and correct and that all applicable reclamation activities have been accomplished in accordance with the requirement of the Act, the regulatory program and the approved reclamation plan.

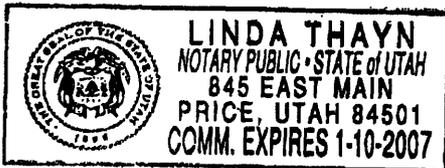
Dennis N. Ware  
Print Name

Dennis N. Ware, Controller, 9/19/05  
Sign Name, Position, Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of Sept, 2005

Linda Thayne  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 1-10, 2007  
Attest: State of Utah  
County of Carbon



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# APPLICATION FOR COAL PERMIT PROCESSING

Permit Change  New Permit  Renewal  Exploration  Bond Release  Transfer

**Permittee:** Plateau Mining Corporation

**Mine:** Willow Creek Mine

**Permit Number:** C/007/038

**Title:** Preparation Plant and Refuse Pile Phase I and Phase III Bond Release Application

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

Five Clean Copies

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

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

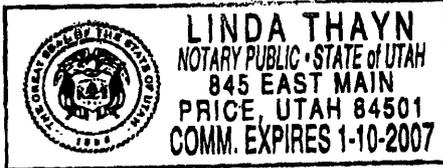
I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments, undertakings, and obligations, herein.

Dennis N Ware  
Print Name

[Signature], Controller, 9/19/05  
Sign Name, Position, Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of Sept, 2005

[Signature]  
Notary Public  
My commission Expires: 1-10, 2007  
Attest: State of Utah } ss:  
County of Carbon



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