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**Re: Mine Facilities Area Phase I and III Bond Release Application, 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 20.8 acres of land related to the overland conveyor corridor in Willow Creek and Price Canyons and Phase III Bond Release on 36.4 acres of land related to the mine buildings in Willow Creek Canyon. The reclamation for these acreages was completed in August of 2004.

The attached application includes the, C1 and C2 forms, text page replacements, a new as-built exhibit (exhibit 23). The new exhibit 23 contains the as-built reclamation and bond release information including text, tables, hydrology calculations, maps, reclamation certification, public notice, notification letters to land owners government agencies as well as the contract with the College of Eastern Utah (CEU) wherein CEU will purchase certain lands to be used as an energy training center.

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 for bond release in July of 2006 is important because, without such bond release, CEU will not be able to begin their planned training in August.

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/MineFacilities/CoverLetter

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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:** Bond Release Application, Mine Facilities Area

**Description,** Include reason for application and timing required to implement:  
Bond release for the Willow Creek Mine, Mine Facilities Area

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

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

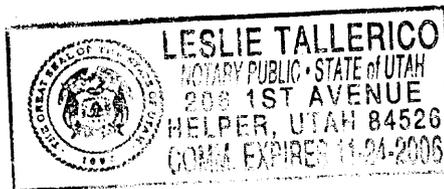
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 Sign Name, Position, Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2006

Leslie Tallero  
 Notary Public

My commission Expires: 5-8-, 2006

Attest: State of Utah } ss:  
 County of Carbon



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