

PLATEAU MINING CORPORATION

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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

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Mr. Daron Haddock  
Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining  
1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

RE: Permit Renewal, Willow Creek Mine, Plateau Mining Corporation, C/007/0038, Carbon County, Utah.

Dear Mr. Haddock:

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This permit renewal package includes a C1 and C2 as well as the following in compliance with the application requirements (R645-303-232):

- An application for renewal of a permit filed with the Division at least 120 days before expiration of the existing permit term (4/24/2006);
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- Evidence of a performance bond in effect for the operation;
- A copy of the proposed newspaper notice as required by R645-300-121.100 and;
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Should you have any questions please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,



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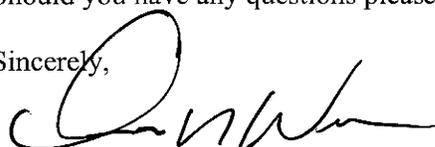
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# APPLICATION FOR COAL PERMIT PROCESSING

Permit Change  New Permit  Renewal  Exploration  Bond Release  Transfer

Permittee: Plateau Mining Corporation

Mine: Willow Creek

Permit Number: C/007/0038

Title: Willow Creek Permit Renewal

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

Renewal date for the Willow Creek Permit is April 23, 2011

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.

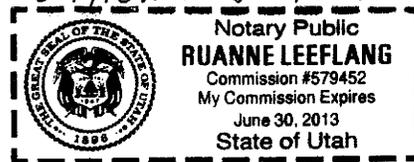
Jennifer M. Ware  
Print Name

[Signature] 12-21-2010  
Sign Name, Position, Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of Dec, 2010

Controller & Admin Mgr

Ruanne LeeFlang  
Notary Public



My commission Expires: 6-30, 2013  
Attest: State of Utah ; ss:  
County of Emery

For Office Use Only:

Assigned Tracking Number:

Received by Oil, Gas & Mining

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This bond replaces Travelers Bond No. \_\_\_\_\_ effective 11/1/2010.

Exhibit "B"- **BONDING AGREEMENT**  
**SURETY BOND**

Bond No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Permit Number: C/007/038

**SURETY BOND**  
**(FEDERAL COAL)**

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**THIS SURETY BOND** entered into and by and between the undersigned **PERMITTEE**, and **SURETY COMPANY**, hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators, executors, successors, and assigns unto the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas & Mining (**DIVISION**), and the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (**OSM**) in the penal sum of \$1,424,514.00 (Surety Bond Amount) for the timely performance of reclamation responsibilities of the surface disturbance described in Exhibit "A" of this **RECLAMATION AGREEMENT**.

This **SURETY BOND** shall remain in effect until all of the **PERMITTEE's** reclamation obligation have been met and released by the **DIVISION** and is conditioned upon faithful performance of all of the requirement of the Act, the applicable rules and regulations, SMCRA, the approved permit, and the **DIVISION**.

The **SURETY** will not cancel this bond at any time for any reason, including non-payment of premium or bankruptcy of the Principal during the period of liability.

The **SURETY** and their successors and assigns, agree to guarantee the obligation and to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the **DIVISION** and **OSM** from any and all expenses which the **DIVISION** and **OSM** may sustain as a result of the **PERMITTEE's** failure to comply with the condition(s) of the reclamation obligation.

The **SURETY** will give prompt notice to the **PERMITTEE** and to the **DIVISION** and **OSM** of any notice received or action alleging to insolvency or bankruptcy of the **SURETY**, or alleging any violations or regulatory requirement which could result in suspension or revocation of the **SURETY's** license.

Terms for release or adjustment of this **BOND** are as written and agreed to by the **DIVISION** and the **PERMITTEE** in the **RECLAMATION AGREEMENT** incorporated by reference herein, to which this **SURETY AGREEMENT** has been attached as Exhibit "B".

Exhibit "B"- BONDING AGREEMENT  
SURETY BOND

Permit Number: C/007/038

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the PERMITTEE has hereunto set it's signature and seal  
this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2010.

PLATEAU MINING CORPORATION

Frank J. Wood  
PERMITTEE

By: Frank J. Wood  
Title: Vice President

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the SURETY has hereto set it's signature and seal this  
1st day of November, 2010.

FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF  
MARYLAND

SURETY

By: Cynthia Farrell  
Title: Cynthia Farrell Attorney in Fact

ACCEPTED BY THE STATE OF UTAH:

Lowell P. Braxton, Director  
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

**NOTE:** An Affidavit of Qualification must be completed and attached to this form for each authorized agent or officer. Where one signs by virtue of Power of Attorney for a company, such Power of Attorney must be filed with this Agreement. If the PERMITTEE is a corporation, the Agreement shall be executed by it's duly authorized officer.

**Plateau Mining Corporation**  
**Willow Creek Mine**  
**C/007/0038**  
**Permit Renewal Application**

Plateau Mining Corporation  
P.O. Box 30  
Helper, Utah 84526

Plateau Mining Corporation hereby submits an application for a permit renewal for the Willow Creek Mine for the purpose of conducting reclamation activities. The disturbed/bonded area encompasses approximately 96.48 acres for which the legal description is provided below.

The Disturbed/Bonded area encompasses portions of the following described lands:

Willow Creek Surface Facility

Sec. 35, T. 12 S., R. 9 E.	NE ¼ SE ¼ SE ¼ SE ¼
Sec. 36, T. 12 S., R. 9 E.	NE ¼ SW ¼ NW ¼ SW ¼ SW ¼ SW ¼ SE ¼ SW ¼
Sec. 1, T. 13 S., R. 9 E.	NE ¼ NE ¼ NW ¼ NE ¼ SW ¼ NE ¼ SE ¼ NE ¼ NE ¼ NW ¼ NW ¼ NW ¼

Crandall Canyon Surface Facility (including access road)

Sec. 22, T. 12 S., R. 9 E.	SE ¼ SW ¼ SW ¼ SE ¼
Sec. 27, T. 12 S., R. 9 E.	NE ¼ NW ¼ NW ¼ NW ¼ SW ¼ NW ¼ NW ¼ SW ¼
Sec. 28, T. 12 S., R. 9 E.	NE ¼ SW ¼

SE ¼ SW ¼  
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NW ¼ SE ¼  
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The permit area is shown on the following U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute maps: Helper, Kyune and Standardville.

A surety bond is filed with the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining in the amount of \$1,424,514 and payable to the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGGM), and the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM).

A copy of the permit renewal application may be examined at the office of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, and also at the Records Office located in the Carbon County Courthouse in Price, Utah. Written comments, objections and requests for an informal conference may be submitted to the Utah Division of Oil Gas and Mining at the above address. Such comments must be submitted thirty (30) days from the date of last publication of this notice. This notice is being published to comply with the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, and State and Federal regulations promulgated pursuant to said Act.

Published in the Sun Advocate on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.



# CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE(MM/DD/YYYY)  
12/15/2010

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER Aon Risk Services Central, Inc. Pittsburgh PA Office Dominion Tower, 10th Floor 625 Liberty Avenue Pittsburgh PA 15222-3110 USA	CONTACT NAME:	
	PHONE (A/C. No. Ext): (866) 283-7122	FAX (A/C. No.): (847) 953-5390
E-MAIL ADDRESS:		
PRODUCER CUSTOMER ID #: 570000009689		
INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE		NAIC #
INSURER A: National Union Fire Ins Co of Pittsburgh		19445
INSURER B:		
INSURER C:		
INSURER D:		
INSURER E:		
INSURER F:		

INSURED  
Alpha Natural Resources, Inc.  
including Plateau Mining Corporation  
391 Interness Parkway, Suite 333  
Englewood CO 80112 USA

COVERAGES CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 570041033974 REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS. **Limits shown are as requested**

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL SUBR INSR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	GENERAL LIABILITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR  GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC		GL5442702 SIR applies per policy terms & conditions	12/13/2010	12/13/2011	EACH OCCURRENCE \$2,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$1,000,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$5,000 PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$2,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$4,000,000 PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$4,000,000
	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> NON OWNED AUTOS					COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) BODILY INJURY (Per person) BODILY INJURY (Per accident) PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)
	UMBRELLA LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR EXCESS LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE DEDUCTIBLE RETENTION					EACH OCCURRENCE AGGREGATE
	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR / PARTNER / EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	Y/N <input type="checkbox"/> N/A				WC STATU-TORY LIMITS OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT E.L. DISEASE-EA EMPLOYEE E.L. DISEASE-POLICY LIMIT

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (Attach ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, if more space is required)  
RE: willow Creek Mine Permit #C/007/038  
General Liability includes a Blanket Additional Insured as required by written contract but limited to the operations of the Insured under said contract, and always subject to the policy terms, conditions and exclusions. General Liability includes XCU

CERTIFICATE HOLDER  State of Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City UT 84114-5801 USA	CANCELLATION SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.
	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE  <i>Aon Risk Services Central, Inc.</i>

Holder Identifier : UT Mary Wong

Certificate No : 570041033974





AGENCY CUSTOMER ID: 570000009689

LOC #:

# ADDITIONAL REMARKS SCHEDULE

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## ADDITIONAL REMARKS

THIS ADDITIONAL REMARKS FORM IS A SCHEDULE TO ACORD FORM,  
FORM NUMBER: ACORD 25 FORM TITLE: Certificate of Liability Insurance

Additional Description of Operations / Locations / Vehicles:  
coverage.