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Richard Shaw – Publisher

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of June, 2015.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE:
APPLICATION FOR PHASE III BOND RELEASE ON
A PORTION OF THE MINE
PLATEAU MINING CORPORATION,
WILLOW CREEK MINE
PERMIT C/007/0038, RENEWED 04/24/2011**

Notice is hereby given that Plateau Mining Corporation, P.O. Box 30, Helper, Utah 84526, has filed an application with the Utah Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining for phase III bond release for certain acres of land in the Willow Creek Mine Permit C/007/0038. This phase III bond release applies to the 93.21 acres of the 94.40 acres that remain in the permit. Plateau Mining Corporation has completed phase III of the approved reclamation plan for 93.21 acres in the Willow Creek Mine Permit based on meeting the vegetation and water quality requirements for phase III reclamation in accordance with the approved reclamation plan. In order to receive phase III bond release the Permittee must demonstrate that, (1) the vegetation on the reclaimed site has been established in accordance with the approved reclamation plan and (2) that no part of the land is contributing suspended solids to the stream flow or runoff outside the permit area in excess of the requirements set by UCA 40-10-17(2) (j) of the Act or by R645-301-751 of the rules.

In accordance with the provision of R645-301-880 and R645-301-400 of the State of Utah Coal Mining Rules, notice is hereby given that Plateau Mining Corporation is applying for total release of the performance bond posted for this 93.21 acres. The surety bond posted for the Willow Creek Mine is \$489,166; Plateau Mining Corporation is seeking release of \$478,714 which will reduce the bond to \$10,452 which will continue to cover the remaining 1.19 acres.

The permit area is shown on the Helper, Standardville and Kyune U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute maps. The portion of the permit area that is affected contains a total of 94.40 acres and is located in Carbon County, Utah as follows:

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| 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. 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, NE ¼
SE ¼, NW ¼ SE ¼, SW ¼ SE 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 |

The Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining will now evaluate the proposal to determine whether it meets all the criteria of the Permanent Program Performance Standards according to the requirements of the Utah Coal Mining Rules.

Written comments, objections and requests for public hearing or informal conference on this proposal may be addressed to:

Utah Coal Program
Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210
P.O. Box 145801
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

Closing date for submission of such comments, objections and requests for public hearing or informal conference on this proposal must be submitted by July 18, 2015.

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