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April 11, 2000

Kentucky Department of Surface Mining
Division of Permit #2 Hudson Hollow
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Attn: Jeffrey O'Dell

Re: Cessation Order, C2000-46-1-1, West Ridge Resources, Inc., West Ridge Mine,
ACT/007/033, Outgoing File

Dear Mr. O'Dell:

During a recent telephone conversation, I spoke to you about the above-noted cessation order, (attached) that was issued to West Ridge Resources, Inc. at the West Ridge Mine for locking a gate and precluding public access on a public road. This noncompliant situation resulted in a cessation order because the Utah Coal Regulatory Program requires a "cessation order" for conducting activities outside the permit area. The abatement for this cessation order is to permit the road to the gate and incorporate it as part of the West Ridge Mine permit area.

West Ridge Resources, Inc., submitted an application to permit this area and several deficiencies were identified, including a public notice for four consecutive weeks to remove this area as part of the public road system, which is currently being advertised. The Division considers that they are reasonably pursuing permitting this activity, including all of the administrative requirements.

If you have any further questions about this cessation order or any other questions about this situation, please feel free to call me at 801-538-5268.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pamela Grubaugh-Littig', written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

Pamela Grubaugh-Littig
Permit Supervisor

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Attachment

cc: Mike Glasson, Andalex Resources, Inc.
Price Field Office

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NO. C 2000-46-1-1

cessation order

To the following Permittee or Operator:

Name West Ridge Resources, Inc.
 Mine West Ridge Mine Surface Underground Other
 County Carbon State Utah Telephone (435) 636-5558
 Mailing Address P.O. Box 902, Price, Utah 84501
 State Permit No. ACT/007/041
 Ownership Category State Federal Fee Mixed
 Date of inspection 2/6/2000, 19____
 Time of inspection 7:15 a.m. p.m. to 7:40 a.m. p.m.
 Operator Name (other than Permittee) _____
 Mailing Address _____

Under authority of the Utah Coal Mining & Reclamation Act, Section 40-10-1 et seq., *Utah Code Annotated*, 1953, the undersigned authorized representative of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining has conducted an inspection of above mine on above date and has found that a Cessation Order must be issued with respect to each of the conditions, practices or violations listed in the attachment(s). This order constitutes a separate Cessation Order for each condition, practice or violation listed.

In accordance with Section 40-10-22, *Utah Code Annotated*, you are ordered to **cease immediately** the operations described in the attachment(s) and to perform the affirmative obligations described in the attachment(s) within the designated time for abatement. Reclamation operations not directly the subject of this order shall continue while this order is in effect. You are responsible for doing all work in a safe and workmanlike manner.

The undersigned representative finds that this order does does not require cessation of mining expressly or in practical effect. For this purpose, "mining" means extracting coal from the earth or a waste pile, and transporting it within or from the mine site.

This order shall remain in effect until it expires as provided on reverse side of this form, or is modified, terminated or vacated by written notice of an authorized representative of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining.

Cert. Fied Return Receipt # 382 129/497
 Date of service/mailling 2/7/2000
Mike Glasson
 Permittee/Operator representative
Mailed / Faxed from PFO
 Signature
Peter Hess
 Division of Oil, Gas & Mining representative
Peter Hess
 Signature

Time of service/mailling 12:30 a.m. p.m.
Senior Geologist
 Title
Reclamation Specialist III
 Title
#46
 Identification Number

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 WHITE-DOG M YELLOW-OPERATOR PINK-OSM GOLDENROD-NOV FILE

CESSATION ORDER NO. C 2000-46-1-1

Violation No. 1 of 1

Nature of condition, practice or violation

1) ~~Barring~~ access to 1.2 miles of Carbon Co. public road
2) ~~Failure~~ to comply with the terms and conditions
of the approved permit, applicable performance
standards, and requirements of the State program.
3) ~~Conducting~~ mining activities outside of the
approved Mine permit area.

Provisions of act, regulations or permit violated

R 645-300-142 and 143, R 645-301-560
R 645-300-121, 150
R 645-300-141

Check appropriate box

- Condition, practice or violation is creating an imminent danger to health or safety of the public.
- Permittee/Operator is/has been conducting mining activities without a permit.
- Condition, practice or violation is causing or can reasonably be expected to cause significant, imminent environmental harm to land, air or water resources.
- Permittee or Operator has failed to abate Violation(s) No. _____ included in Notice of Violation No. N _____ within time for abatement originally fixed or subsequently extended.

Operation(s) to be ceased immediately

The permittee will cease closing the security gate
1.2 miles SW of the Mine's disturbed area perimeter.
The gate bars public access to the portion of the County
road. This action contradicts the permittee's
approved mining and reclamation plan.

Affirmative obligation(s) and abatement time (if applicable)

1) Cease closing gate immediately.

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Performance Standard: A-3.