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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.

The Utah Coal Regulatory Program does not consider this cessation order a "permit block" for the the State of Utah. West Ridge Resources, Inc. is actively pursuing the abatement of this cessation order.

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,

Pamela Grubaugh-Littig
Permit Supervisor

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cc: Mike Glasson, Andalex Resources, Inc.
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