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TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

Utah Coal Regulatory Program

April 16, 2007

TO: Internal File

THRU: Pamela Grubaugh-Littig, Permit Supervisor *pgl*

FROM: Wayne H. Western, Team Lead *WHW*

RE: Reclamation Cost Estimate Review, West Ridge Resources Inc., West Ridge Mine, C/007/0041, Task ID #2628

SUMMARY:

The Division conducted a routine review of the reclamation bond and reclamation cost estimate for the West Ridge Mine in April 2007. The Division concluded that the Permittee has adequate bond to insure reclamation in the event of bond forfeiture. The Permittee has a bond for \$2,117,000 and the Division calculated that it would need \$1,838,000 in 2011 dollars.

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TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

RECLAMATION PLAN

BONDING AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR Sec. 800; R645-301-800, et seq.

Analysis:

Determination of Bond Amount

The Permittee met the requirements of this section by having adequate bond to insure reclamation in the event of bond forfeiture. The current bond is for \$2,117,000. The Division determined that the reclamation cost in 2011 would be \$1,838,000. Therefore, the Division should have enough bond to ensure reclamation in the event of a bond forfeiture.

Findings:

The information provided in the proposed amendment is considered adequate to meet the requirements of this section of the regulations.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Division does not need to take any action at this time.