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Subject: 2009 Annual Report Review, West Ridge Mine, C/007/0041, Task ID #3526,
Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Shaver:

The Division staff has completed the 2009 Annual Report Review. Enclosed is a copy of the review for West Ridge Mine, C/007/0041 completed on June 14, 2010.

Thank you for your diligence in completing the Annual Report. If you have any questions, please call me at (801) 538-5325.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock
Permit Supervisor

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This Annual Report shows information the Division has for your mine. Please review the information to see if it is current. If the information needs to be updated please do so in this document. At the end of each section the operator is asked to verify if the information is correct. Please answer these questions and make all comments on this document. Submit the completed document and any additional information identified in the Appendices to the Division by April 30, 2010. During a complete inspection an inspector will check and verify the information. To enter text, click in the cell and type your response. You can use the tab key to move from one field to the next. To enter an X in a box, click next to the box, right click, and select properties, then the checked circle, then hit enter, or hit the unchecked circle if the X is to be removed.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Permittee Name West Ridge Resources

Mine Name West Ridge Mine

Operator Name _____
(If other than permittee)

Permit Expiration Date April 1, 2014

Permit Number C/007/0041

Authorized Representative Title Dave Shaver, Manager

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Designated Representative _____

Resident Agent _____

Resident Agent Mailing Address Same as above.

Number of Binders Submitted 2

Operator, please update any incorrect information.

IDENTIFICATION OF OTHER PERMITS

Identify other permits that are required in conjunction with mining and reclamation activities.

Permit Type	ID Number	Description	Expiration Date
MSHA Mine ID(s)	42-02233	Underground Coal Mine	NA
MSHA Impoundment(s)	NA		
NPDES/UPDES Permit(s)	UTG040013		04/30/2010
PSD Permit(s) (Air)	DAQE-055-99		NA
Other			

Operator, please update any incorrect information.

CERTIFIED REPORTS

List the certified inspection reports as required by the rules and under the approved plan that must be periodically submitted to the Division. Specify whether the information is included as Appendix A to this report or currently on file with the Division.

Certified Reports:	Required		Included Included	or	DOGM file location Vol, Chapter, Page
	Yes	No			
Excess Spoil Piles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Refuse Piles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Impoundments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Sediment pond certifications
Other					
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Operator Comments:

Inspector:

Has the operator complied with this section? Yes No

Inspector Comments:

COMMITMENTS AND CONDITIONS

The Permittee is responsible for ensuring annual technical commitments in the MRP and conditions accepted with the permit are completed throughout the year. The Division has identified these commitments below and has provided space for you to report what you have done during the past year for each commitment. If the particular section is blank, no commitment has been identified and no response is required for this report. If additional written response is required, it should be filed under Appendix B to this report.

Admin R645-301-100
Soils R645-301-200

Title: EXPERIMENTAL PRACTICE FIELD TRIALS.

Objective: Monitoring to support proposed Experimental Practice.

Frequency: Annual Evaluation in June.

Status: Ongoing.

Reports: Provide in annual report a comparison of growth on field trials with Douglas/Fir reference area..

Citation: App. 2-6 and Map 2-4.

Operator: Has this commitment been acted on this year?

Yes No Not required this year. If yes, comment;

Operator Comments:

Report is included

Inspector:

Has the operator complied with this commitment? Yes No

Inspector Comments:

On May 25, 2010, Priscilla Burton reviewed the test plot vegetation information included in the 2009 annual report. The plots were seeded in 2005 with the final seed mix for the Douglas Fir/Maple community (Table 3-2B of the MRP), with the substitution of *Poa secunda* (Sandberg bluegrass) for *Poa fendleriana* (Fax of seed mix received 9/9/2005). All the grass varieties reported growing were in the seed mix, except for *Elymus smithii* (western wheatgrass) which was noted at similar frequencies to the seeded grasses. The frequency of each grass species is very uniform across plots, except for *Poa pratensis* (Kentucky bluegrass) which is many times more productive in the shady Midfork Cut Plot. The most productive seeded forbs are *Geranium richardsonii* (Richards Geranium) and *Linum lewisii* (Lewis flax). The flax was seeded. But the geranium species seeded was *Geranium viscosissimum* (sticky geranium). The two plots in which buried soil was re-exposed (Strych stockpile plot and Midfork stockpile plot) now have a small population (10% frequency) of *Hedysarum boreale* (Utah sweetvetch). It appears that *Stipa comata*, *Poa secunda*, *Achillea millefolium*, *Aster chilensis*, *Prunus virginiana*, *Rhus trilobata*, and *Symphoricarpos oreophilus* are not frequently encountered at the site, although they were seeded. A comparison of the Strych Stockpile plot with the Strych Fill Plot is the test of the conventional technique versus the experimental technique (see further discussion of plots in my Tech Memo dated April 14, 2009, Task 3111). There appears to be no significant difference in cover by species, although there are less weedy forbs on the buried topsoil plot.

Title: SOIL SAMPLING OF FILL AT T1, T2, T3**Objective:** To protect buried substitute topsoil in the fill.**Frequency:** Annual Evaluation during field season.**Status:** Ongoing.**Reports:** Provide information in Annual Report.**Citation:** App. 2-6 Addendum and Map 2-4.**Operator:** Has this commitment been acted on this year?Yes No Not required this year. If yes, comment;**Operator Comments:**

Report is included.

Inspector:Has the operator complied with this commitment? Yes No **Inspector Comments:**

Priscilla Burton reviewed the soil sampling information included in the 2009 annual report. Soils were analyzed by the BYU Soil and Plant Analysis Lab on 7/16/2009. On May 25, 2010, I discussed methods of sampling with Patrick Collins, the report author. Method of sampling is a single sample from 6 – 12 inches at each site. Beginning in 2010, I recommended a composite sample be taken from several locations near to each site. In this manner a more average value will be obtained for each of the three sample sites. Values for SAR are again acceptable at site T3 (the truck turn around). The pH appears to be increasing over all locations. The % CaCO₃ is equivalent to the native soil, on the order of 100 to 150 tons/1000 tons.

Biology R645-301-300

Title: WILDLIFE AWARENESS PROGRAM**Objective:** To inform employees of the wildlife and the need for protection in the mine facilities and access road areas.**Frequency:** As needed.**Status:** Ongoing.**Reports:** Summary in Annual Report**Citation:** Volume I, chapter three, page 3-10, paragraph 5.**Operator:** Has this commitment been acted on this year?Yes No Not required this year. If yes, comment;**Operator Comments:**

Awareness handout given at time of employment.

Inspector:Has the operator complied with this commitment? Yes No **Inspector Comments:**

Title: RECLAMATION MONITORING**Objective:** Visually assess the revegetation success.**Frequency:** Quarterly for the first three years and June of each year thereafter.**Status:** Implement at reclamation.**Reports:** Annually.**Citation:** Volume I, chapter three, page 3-16, paragraph 2.**Operator:** Has this commitment been acted on this year?Yes No Not required this year. If yes, comment;**Operator Comments:****Inspector:**Has the operator complied with this commitment? Yes No **Inspector Comments:**

Landuse, Cultural Resources, Air Quality R645-301- 400

Title: CULTURAL RESOURCES**Objective:** If during the course of mining operations, previously unidentified cultural resources are discovered, the Permittee shall ensure that the site(s) is not disturbed and shall notify the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining. The Division, after coordination with OSM, shall inform the Permittee of necessary actions required. The Permittee shall implement the mitigation measures required by the Division within the time frame specified by the Division.**Frequency:** As needed.**Status:** Ongoing.**Reports:** Annual.**Citation:** Permit Condition Sec. 16.**Operator:** Has this commitment been acted on this year?Yes No Not required this year. If yes, comment;**Operator Comments:****Inspector:**Has the operator complied with this commitment? Yes No **Inspector Comments:**

Engineering R645-301-500.

Title: SUBSIDENCE MONITORING**Objective:** To monitor subsidence from longwall mining practices.**Frequency:** plan commits to subsidence monitoring of panels until the effects of mining have stabilized and vertical movement is less than six inches per year.**Status:** On going.**Reports:** Part of annual report.**Citation:** Chapter II, Volume 5, page 5-22.**Operator:** Has this commitment been acted on this year?Yes No Not required this year. If yes, comment;**Operator Comments:**

Subsidence information included.

Inspector:Has the operator complied with this commitment? Yes No **Inspector Comments:****Title: EXPLORATORY DRILLING AHEAD OF DEVELOPMENT****Objective:** Avoid mining into the old Sunnyside Mine.**Frequency:** Whenever within 500' of the old Sunnyside workings, according to old surveys**Status:** On going.**Reports:** Annual report.**Citation:** Volume 3, chapter 7, page 7-29, paragraph 1.**Operator:** Has this commitment been acted on this year?Yes No Not required this year. If yes, comment;**Operator Comments:****Inspector:**Has the operator complied with this commitment? Yes No **Inspector Comments:**

Title: VISUAL SUBSIDENCE INSPECTION IN BEAR CANYON AFTER THE LONGWALL PASSES UNDER (projected for spring 2007).

Objective: To visually check for subsidence damage.

Frequency: When Bear Canyon is undermined.

Status: On going.

Reports: Committed to submitting 30 days after the inspection.

Citation: Chapter 5, Volume 2, page 5-23bto5-23e.

Operator: Has this commitment been acted on this year?

Yes No Not required this year. If yes, comment;

Operator Comments:

Inspector:

Has the operator complied with this commitment? Yes No

Inspector Comments:

Geology R645-301-600

Hydrology R645-301-700

Bonding & Insurance R645-301-800

Other Commitments

*Reminder: If equipment has been abandoned during 2009, an amendment must be submitted that includes a map showing its location, a description of what was abandoned, whether there were any hazardous or toxic materials and any revision to the PHC as necessary.

REPORTING OF OTHER TECHNICAL DATA

List other technical data and information as required under the approved plan, which must be periodically submitted to the Division. Specify whether the information is included as Appendix B to this report or currently on file with the Division.

Operator Comments:

Inspector:

Has the operator complied with this section? Yes No

Inspector Comments:

LEGAL, FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Change in administration or corporate structure can often bring about necessary changes to information found in the mining and reclamation plan. The Division is Requesting that each Permittee review and update the legal, financial, compliance and related information in the plan as part of the annual report. Please provide the Department of Commerce, Annual Report of Officers, or other equivalent information as necessary to ensure that the information provided in the plan is current. Provide any other change as necessary regarding land ownership, lease acquisitions, legal results from appeals of violations, or other changes as necessary to update information required in the mining and reclamation plan. Include certified financial statements, audits or worksheets, which may be required to meet bonding requirements. Specify whether the information is currently on file with the Division or included as Appendix C to the report.

Legal / Financial Update **Required** **Included** **or** **DOGM File location**
 Yes No Included Vol, Chapter, Page

Department of Commerce, Annual Report Officers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information is in Chapter 1 of the MRP
Other				
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Operator Comments:

Inspector:

Has the operator complied with this section? Yes No

Inspector Comments:

MAPS

Copies of mine maps, current and up-to-date through at least December 31, 2009, are to be provided to the Division as Appendix D to this report in accordance with the requirements of R 645-301-525.240. The map copies shall be made in accordance with 30 CFR 75.1200 as required by MSHA. Mine maps are not considered confidential. (Please provide a CD.)

Confidential information is limited to:

R645-300-124.310. Information that pertains only to the analysis of the chemical and physical properties of the coal to be mined, except information on components of such coal which are potentially toxic in the environment.

R645-300-124.330. Information on the nature and location of archeological resources on public land and Indian land as required under the Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (P. L. 96-95, 93 Stat. 721, 16 U.S.C. 470).

R645-301-322, Fish and Wildlife Information; R645-301-322.100, the scope and level of detail for such information will be determined by the Division in consultation with state and federal agencies with responsibilities for fish and wildlife and will be sufficient to design the protection and enhancement plan required under R645-301-333 and R645-301-322.230, other species or

APPENDIX A

Certified Reports

Excess Spoil Piles
Refuse Piles
Impoundments

As required under R645-301-514

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APPENDIX B

Reporting of Technical Data

Including monitoring data, reports, maps, and other information
As required under the approved plan or as required by the Division

In accordance with the requirement of R645-310-130 and R645-301-140

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