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599 West Price River Dr.
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Reply to: 2820

Date: January 30, 1986

Richard Holbrook
OSM - Reclamation and Enforcement
Brooks Towers - 1020 15th Street
Denver, Colorado 80202

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Dear Mr. Holbrook:

Enclosed is recent correspondence sent to us by Beaver Creek Coal Company dealing with a proposed bond reduction for their Huntington Canyon No. 4 Mine. The Forest Service has no problem with a reduction in the bond amount, as long as the reduction is compatible with the degree of reclamation completed. We will leave the actual amount of reduction to your discretion.

Also enclosed is a copy of our letter to Beaver Creek Coal Company on reclamation of the Mill Fork Canyon Road. It is a Forest Development Road under the management jurisdiction of the Forest Service, and we are requiring a reduction in the road standard now that the mine has ceased operations. This coming spring, the Forest Service will meet with Beaver Creek Coal Company to review what will be necessary to decrease the road prism to meet the projected traffic load.

Sincerely,

/s/ William H. Boley

for
REED C. CHRISTENSEN
Forest Supervisor

Enclosure

cc: D. Guy, Beaver Creek Coal Company
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December 12, 1985

Mr. Reed C. Christensen
Forest Supervisor
U.S. Forest Service
599 West Price River Drive
Price, Utah 84501

Re: Partial Bond Release
Huntington Canyon No. 4 Mine
ACT/015/004, UT-0004
Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Christensen:

Beaver Creek Coal Company has completed Phase I of its approved reclamation plan at the Huntington Canyon No. 4 Mine. This includes sealing and backfilling of portals, topsoil replacement, regrading, reseeding, and drainage control as specified in the approved reclamation plan.

In accordance with the requirements of U.M.C. 807.11 (a)(2) of the Utah Coal Mining Reclamation Act, this letter will serve as notification that Beaver Creek Coal Company intends to file an application with the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining for partial release of the performance bond.

The present amount of bond posted for this property is \$360,104.00. In accordance with U.M.C. 807.12 (b)(1), Beaver Creek will be seeking release of 60% of the existing bond, or \$216,062.40.

If you have any questions, or need any further information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Dan W. Guy
Manager Permitting/Compliance

DWG/rs

cc: Jay Marshall
File 4-P-6-4

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Date: December 20, 1985

ARCO Coal Company
1109 South Carbon Avenue
Price, Utah 84501

Gentlemen:

The Road Use Permit issued to Beaver Creek Coal Company, renewed on September 1, 1982, has a termination date of January 1, 1986. This permit provided for your use of Forest Development Road #50245 - Mill Fork Canyon Road.

With the closure of the Beaver Creek Mine No. 4, issues and concerns pertaining to your past activities and future activities in Mill Fork Canyon have been brought to the forefront. Of major concern to the Forest Service is the road facility in Mill Fork Canyon.

Over the years, your company has enlarged and improved the road to a standard compatible with your needs for hauling coal. From the loadout facility at the mine to SH-31, the road is a double lane, gravel surfaced facility.

With the curtailment of your coal production in Mill Fork Canyon, your access needs change considerably. There is no longer a need for the high standard road you have developed. A single lane road with turnouts will fulfill the needs for all foreseeable activities in Mill Fork Canyon. Restoring the road to a facility compatible with post mining activities is the responsibility of the mining company. We are anxious to return the unneeded portion of the road to a productive Forest environment.

To accomplish the reduction in road standard, it will be necessary to coordinate our efforts. We have examined the road to determine what we feel is the best means to narrow the road prism. Next spring, as ground conditions improve, we need to meet with you on site to review in detail the modifications that need to be made to the road.

It will be necessary to maintain the Road Use Permit for this road until the road reduction is completed. At that time, the permit can be terminated and the performance bond released.

The termination date on the Road Use Permit dated September 1, 1982, issued to Beaver Creek Coal Company for Mill Fork Canyon Road - FDR #50245, is hereby revised to be January 1, 1987.

Sincerely,

/s/ William H. Boley

for
REED C. CHRISTENSEN
Forest Supervisor

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