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**Re: task id 4703, CONSOL Hidden Valley midterm completion response**

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Steve Christensen &lt;stevechristensen@utah.gov&gt;

Mon, Dec 15, 2014 at 2:36 PM

To: "Gefferth, John" &lt;jgefferth@cecinc.com&gt;

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John,

Your request to extend the Hidden Valley mid-term response until January 2nd, 2015 is approved. The additional time should allow for the bonding issues to be sorted out.

Regards,  
Steve

On Mon, Dec 15, 2014 at 1:35 PM, Gefferth, John <jgefferth@cecinc.com> wrote:

Steve

Per our phone conversation today and email below, I am revising CONSOL's extension request until January 2, 2015.

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**From:** Gefferth, John  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2014 2:14 PM  
**To:** Steve Christensen ([stevechristensen@utah.gov](mailto:stevechristensen@utah.gov))  
**Cc:** Kerry Goodballet - Consol Energy Inc. ([KerryGoodballet@consolenergy.com](mailto:KerryGoodballet@consolenergy.com)); [CherylParker@utah.gov](mailto:CherylParker@utah.gov); [russeljensen@consolenergy.com](mailto:russeljensen@consolenergy.com)  
**Subject:** FW: task id 4703, CONSOL Hidden Valley midterm completion response

Steve

I will not submit the additional information data until we resolve the bonding deficiency discussed below. Cheryl is out of pocket until next week.

It was due today (December 15, 2014) per your letter dated November 13, 2014 (task id 4703).

CONSOL requests an extension to submit until December 19, 2014.

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**From:** Cheryl Parker [<mailto:cherylparker@utah.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2014 7:33 AM  
**To:** Steve Christensen; Gefferth, John  
**Subject:** Re: task id 4703, CONSOL Hidden Valley midterm completion response

John.

I apologize about not being able to get back to you sooner. I don't have outlook and it took some manipulation of your email to be able to open the attachments. I will be out in the field the majority of this week and do not

have a work cell at my disposal. If you'd still like to have a conversation regarding the bonding sheets, I will have to schedule something for early next week.

The regulations require line item cost sheets because through these line item details, the risk associated with the reclamation cost estimate is lowered for both the State and Permittee. i.e. prove that reclamation of all disturbance is accounted for. If you have exhausted all available means to recover a detailed cost items then the totals will be lump escalated, as has been done in the past. The State reserves the right to assume that any changes on the site past 2004 are not costed for in the "lump" estimates and will add these new cost accordingly.

These changes include the final reclamation and plugging costs of three monitoring wells HV-06-01, HV-06-02, and HV-06-03 there were installed in 2006 and 2007. This information was requested in the Midterm review Task # 4604. Based of drill logs located in the file folder, the cost of reclaiming the state three wells, with 2014 RS Means cost data, was calculated to be \$5,421, see attached. This data was added in the 2014 line item of the attached escalation sheet, also attached.

Apologies again about the delay in communication,

Cheryl Parker, M.S., P.E.

Mine Engineer

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On Mon, Dec 1, 2014 at 10:59 AM, Steve Christensen <[stevechristensen@utah.gov](mailto:stevechristensen@utah.gov)> wrote:

fyi- See e-mail below from John Gefferth (consultant for Hidden Valley/Emery). He sent me some language on my deficiency for Hidden Valley's mid-term and I just asked him how the bonding issue was going. He sent the following.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Gefferth, John** <[jgefferth@cecinc.com](mailto:jgefferth@cecinc.com)>

Date: Mon, Dec 1, 2014 at 10:12 AM

Subject: RE: task id 4703, CONSOL Hidden Valley midterm completion response

To: Steve Christensen <[stevechristensen@utah.gov](mailto:stevechristensen@utah.gov)>

Steve

See attached for the bonding question. I planned to call Cheryl to discuss.

I plan to call Pricilla also , as she wants the pad reclamation plan changed.

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**From:** Steve Christensen [mailto:[stevechristensen@utah.gov](mailto:stevechristensen@utah.gov)]

**Sent:** Monday, December 01, 2014 10:52 AM

**To:** Gefferth, John

**Subject:** Re: task id 4703, CONSOL Hidden Valley midterm completion response

John,

Looks good. That takes care of my deficiency. How's the bonding issue going? Feel free to call Cheryl Parker (801) 538-5286 if you have questions.

Steve

On Fri, Nov 28, 2014 at 8:58 AM, Gefferth, John <[jgefferth@cecinc.com](mailto:jgefferth@cecinc.com)> wrote:

Steve

Per your November 13, 2014 additional information request pertaining to drill pad reclamation.

Page 8 and 8a discuss bore hole plugging and pad reclamation and seeding.

Please call to discuss.

*All areas disturbed under this drilling program that were not previously disturbed (e.g., roads) will be regraded after drilling to the approximate original contour during reclamation. All existing dirt roads will be left in place at serviceability at least equal to that which existed prior to drilling. During reclamation, soils compacted by vehicle and equipment traffic will be loosened to promote revegetation. Final grading will be along the contour to control erosion. After soils have been loosened the impacted area will be reseeded with the following seed mix:*

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