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April 28, 2016

Dan Baker, President
Bronco Utah Operations, LLC
P.O. Box 527
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Subject: 2015 Annual Report Review Completion, Hidden Valley Mine, C/015/0007, Task ID #5167

Dear Mr. Baker:

The Division staff has completed the review of the 2015 Annual Report. Enclosed is a copy of the review with each reviewer's comments.

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
Coal Program Manager

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Annual Report

This Annual Report shows information the Division has for your mine. Submit the completed document and any additional information identified in the Appendices to the Division by the date specified by the cover letter. During a complete inspection an inspector will check and verify the information.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Company Name	Bronco Utah Operations LLC	Mine Name	Hidden Valley Mine
Permit Number	C/015/0007	Permit expiration Date	01/29/2017
Operator Name	Bronco Utah Operations LLC	Phone Number	435-650-73
Mailing Address	Highway 10 South Box 527	Email	jpappas@broncoutah.com
City	Emery		
State	Utah	Zip Code	84522

DOGM File Location or Annual Report Location

Excess Spoil Piles	<input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	
Refuse Piles	<input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	
Impoundments	<input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	
Other:		

OPERATOR COMMENTS

REVIEWER COMMENTS

Met Requirements Did Not meet Requirements

The site has been contemporaneously reclaimed. No coal mining or reclamation activity occurred during 2015.

FUTURE COMMITMENTS AND CONDITIONS

The following commitments are not required for the current annual report year, but will be required by the permittee in the future as indicated by the "status" field. These commitments are included for information only, and do not currently require action. If you feel that the commitment is no longer relevant or needs to be revised, please contact the Division.

Title: RECLAMATION OF AREA "A"

Objective: To complete reclamation of Hidden Valley.

Frequency: To be completed within a few years of the 1997 reclamation of Area B, based on vegetation analysis of reclamation area "B".

Status: Deferred for the remainder of the permit term (renewal in January of 2017).

Reports: As built and vegetation monitoring.

Citation: MRP, Page 2-97B

OPERATOR COMMENTS (OPTIONAL)

The mine site provides access to enter the "A" seam coal reserve. Bronco Utah Operations LLC requests that the deferred status continues through the permit term.

REVIEWER COMMENTS

The recent purchase and permit transfer of the Hidden Valley Mine from Consol Mining Company to Bronco Utah Operations, LLC occurred in 2016. However, as Bronco Utah Operations, LLC has indicated that there is a potential for coal mining and reclamation activity to occur at the Hidden Valley Mine site in the future, the Division approves the request for deferred reclamation of the site.

REPORTING OF OTHER TECHNICAL DATA

Please list other technical data or information that was not included in the form above, but is required under the approved plan, which must be periodically submitted to the Division.

Please list attachments:

Reviewer Comments

MAPS

Copies of mine maps, current and up-to-date, are to be provided to the Division as an attachment to this report in accordance with the requirements of R645-301-525.240. The map copies shall be made in accordance with 30 CFR 75.1200 as required by MSHA. Mine maps are not considered confidential.

Map Name	Map Number	Included		Confidential	
		Yes	No	Yes	No
Annual Mine Map		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Reviewer Comments Met Requirements Did Not Meet Requirements

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