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Dear Mr. Haddock:

We have received and reviewed a copy of Genwal Coal Company's Underground Right-of-Way Application, Crandall Canyon Mine, ACT/015/032(90-1). The application calls for adding this coal right-of-way to the permit area. The right-of-way application is for accessing state coal leases from mine workings on federal lease. The application right-of-way tract is 4,670.5 feet long and 1,040 feet wide, in which six underground mining entries will be developed to access the state leases to the west of the existing Crandall Canyon Mine. The mining layout was designed for underground mining access only and not for maximizing coal recovery. In fact, part of the agreement to allow a right-of-way was to design the entries and pillars to facilitate any proposals to drive rock slopes over the access entries should other companies or interests have control of the coal lands to the south and north of the right-of-way. This will allow access to unleased federal coal to the north and not create a captive coal tract.

The BLM therefore finds the proposal meets the requirements for the resource recovery and protection plan (R2P2) portion of the permit application package (PAP) and recommends that the right-of-way be added to the permit area. The R2P2 is in compliance with the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, the regulations found at 43 CFR 3480, and the lease terms and conditions. In designing the mine workings to allow for access to other coal lands, the maximum economic recovery (MER) requirements for this lease will still be met.

If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Falk in Price at 637-4584.

Sincerely yours,

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