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Re: Resonse to Phone call

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Wed, Mar 20, 2013 at 9:22 AM

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Jay,

Thank you for responding to my questions. As far as the permit area for the Crandall Canyon Mine renewal, I think I agree with you that we should go forward with the existing permit area description due to the critical timing for the renewal and the fact that it has been advertised that way already. However, we should probably revise the permit area in the near future to reflect the lease relinquishments so that the permit matches with your right of entry information. We can talk about this after the renewal. I also understand the need for keeping the disturbed/bonded area the same for now. Although, I suppose this could change depending on the water discharge and treatment situation at the mine. We also should be thinking about how the discharge water will be routed to Crandall Creek once there is no further need for the treatment facility. I look forward to getting your affidavit of publication. Thanks again.

Daron

On Wed, Mar 20, 2013 at 4:52 AM, Marshall, Jay <jmarshall@coalsource.com> wrote:

Daron:

Sorry I missed your call yesterday, I was back and forth to Crandall most of the day. In response to your questions.

Yes, the advertisement for permit renewal has run in the Emery County Progress for four weeks and we are now into the 30 day comment period. I'll send a copy of the proof of publication as soon as I get it. A copy of the MRP is on file at the Emery county court house and will remain on file until the comment period is over.

Yes, we have applied to the BLM for lease relinquishments at North Crandall. The application is currently under BLM review. You indicated that the lease relinquishments might have an effect on the legal description in the bond release application and that maybe some disturbed areas might be considered for reclamation.

The permit area description for permit renewal includes both the disturbed-bonded area and the lease area.

With a significant revision to the permit we could change the legal description of the permit area to mirror the disturbed-bonded area and eliminate the lease area. That would greatly decrease the permit area acreage and the permit area would then be only the disturbed-bonded area. The disturbed area would not change. I am not sure with the renewal time-line that this would be a good idea.

However, the relinquishment does not in any way change the needed surface disturbed areas. The relinquishment will not in any way make any disturbed area a candidate for any level of reclamation. As long as Princess (South Crandall) is a viable property and the water treatment plant is required, all the current

disturbed areas will be needed. When the South Crandall mine discharge water, currently being treated for iron, meets standards, then the treatment plant can be deactivated and dismantled. After the dismantling of the treatment plant some areas on the North Crandall side might be considered for reclamation.

As long as the water is being treated and the Princess mine is viable, the disturbed area must remain the same and reclamation cannot be considered.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this in more detail please give me a call.

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