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Kirk Nicholes
Alton Coal Development, LLC
463 North 100 West, Suite 1
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Subject: Notice to Proceed with Mining Activities on Portion of Site 42KA2041, Coal Hollow Mine, Alton Coal Development LLC, C/025/0005, Task ID #4364

Dear Mr. Nicholes:

The Division has reviewed the Preliminary Archeological report of the Level I data recovery survey of site 42KA2041 located on the Coal Hollow Mine completed by Bighorn Archaeological Consultants, LLC. The report dated August 12, 2013, indicates that no further investigation is warranted. The Division concurs with this determination and hereby authorizes you to Proceed with Mining Activities on the Portion of the Site within the approved permit boundary as described in your plan. We have consulted with both PLPCO and SHPO and have obtained their concurrence as well.

Please remember that your plan calls for an archaeologist to be on site during periods of active excavation, to ensure that unidentified cultural resources are not damaged.

Please call me at (801) 538-5325 or Priscilla Burton at (435) 613-3733 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Daron Haddock
Coal Program Manager

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