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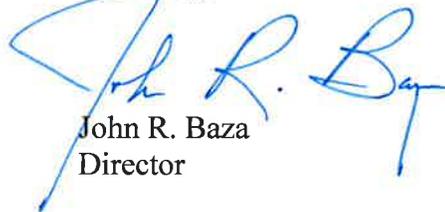
SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF TIME BEYOND 90 DAYS TO ADDRESS NOV 10123,
ALTON COAL DEVELOPMENT, LLC, COAL HOLLOW, C/025/0005

Dear Ms. Dragoo:

The Division received your request for additional time to abate NOV 10123 on September 16, 2013. As this extends the abatement period beyond 90 days, the rules at R645-400-327 will apply. Since Alton Coal Development, LLC (ACD) has timely submitted revisions to the Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP) and continues to pursue settlement of the NOV, the Division will allow an additional 30 days to complete the abatement requirements. This should allow adequate time for Dr. Steve Petersen to conduct the required field study and complete the revised biological opinion in support of the mitigation plan that ACD is proposing. ACD will now have until October 21, 2013 to resolve the NOV.

Thank you for your diligence in completing this abatement. If you have any questions, please call me at (801) 538-5334.

Sincerely,



John R. Baza
Director

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