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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Subject: **Affidavit of Publication for Phase 1 Bond Release, Alton Coal Development, LLC, Coal Hollow Mine, Kane County, Utah, C/025/0005**

Dear Mr. Haddock,

Alton Coal Development, LLC is providing a copy of the Affidavit of Publication for the areas of phase 1 bond release applied for in January of 2015. Also included is a copy of the public notice for verification.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions 435-691-1551.

Sincerely

B. Kirk Nicholes
Environmental Specialist

**PUBLIC NOTICE PHASE I BOND RELEASE APPLICATION
COAL HOLLOW MINE,
ALTON COAL
DEVELOPMENT, LLC**

Public Notice
Phase I Bond Release Application
Coal Hollow Mine (CHM)
Alton Coal Development, LLC
463 N 100 W, Suite 1
Cedar City, UT 84721
MSHA # 42-02519
Permit # C/025/0005
Permit Approval 11/08/2010

Coal Program as to backfilling, regrading and drainage control for Phase I Bond Release (refer to R645-301-880). The locations of the Reclaimed Coal Mine areas in Kane County, Utah, are as follows:

BRP1 - 1 - A portion of the CHM within the N 1/2 of the N 1/2 of Sec. 30, T39S, R5W, containing 26,255 acres. BRP1 - 1 is a portion of the permitted Excess Spoils Pile that has achieved final grade, subsoil placement and shaping for drainage control. Incremental reclamation BRP1 - 1 was completed 2012-14.

BRP1 - 2 - A portion of the CHM within the N 1/2 of the N 1/2 of Sec. 30, T39S, R5W, containing 1,975 acres. BRP1 - 2 is a portion of the permitted Excess Spoils Pile that has achieved final grade, subsoil placement and shaping for drainage control. Incremental reclamation BRP1 - 2 was completed 2013.

BRP1 - 3 - A portion of the CHM within the SE 1/2 of the SE 1/4

of Sec. 19 and also within the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 30, T39S, R5W, containing 27,260 acres. BRP1 - 3 is a portion of the permitted Excess Spoils Pile that has achieved final grade, subsoil placement and shaping for drainage control. Incremental reclamation BRP1 - 3 was completed 2013.

BRP1 - 4 - A portion of the CHM within the E 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 30, T39S, R5W, containing 24,019 acres. BRP1 - 4 is a portion of the permitted Excess Spoils Pile that has achieved final grade, subsoil placement and shaping for drainage control. Incremental reclamation BRP1 - 4 was completed 2014.

The Phase I bond release application is for a surety bond reduction of \$10,900,681 on the current bond of \$12,750,000 for Coal Hollow Mine. All areas within the Reclaimed Coal Mine sites meet the requirements of the regulations for postmine land use of backfilling, regrading and drainage control standards. The

approved post mining land use for the CHM is the same as the pre-mining land use, grazing and wildlife habitat.

A copy of the Phase I bond release application with the complete legal description for each area may be examined at the office of Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801 and written comments, objections, or requests for an informal conference may be submitted to the Salt Lake City address. Said comments must be submitted thirty (30) days from the date of the last publication of this notice. This notice is being published to comply with the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, the Utah Coal Mining and Reclamation Act and State and Federal regulations promulgated pursuant to said Acts.

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LEGEND:		REVISIONS		LOCATION MAP	
PERMIT BOUNDARY	DRAWN BY: K. NICHOLS	CHECKED BY: LWJ	DATE: 12/5/2014	PROPOSED PHASE I BOND RELEASE COAL HOLLOW PROJECT ALTON, UTAH FIGURE 1	
PRIVATE COAL OWNERSHIP	SECTION LINE	FOUND SECTION CORNER	BY: KN		
FOUND PROPERTY CORNER	BOUNDARY AREA	SCALE: 1" = 300'	DATE: 01/22/2015		
		JOB NUMBER: SHEET	BY: KN		
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