

C/025/005 Incoming

#4942



Kane County Commission
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September 14, 2015

Re: North Private Lease Addition, Alton Coal Development, LLC, Coal Hollow Mine, C/025/005, Task ID #4942

Coal Regulatory Program
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining
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ATTN: Daron R. Haddock, Coal Program Manager

Dear Mr. Haddock *Daron*

We have reviewed the subject Private Lease Addition to Alton Coal Development, LLC, Coal Hollow Mine. Below are our comments.

The Kane County Board of Commissioners fully support the leasing and mining of the "North Private Lease Addition." With the addition of the North Private Lease Addition, Alton Coal Development, LLC anticipates the increase of 40-50 surface miners and 20-30 underground miners. With the increase in mining, Alton Coal Development, LLC also anticipates the transportation of coal to be 70-80 trucks per day. These are household sustaining jobs, most of which will be hired from Kane County and surrounding areas. Additionally, Kane County and the surrounding areas will benefit from the secondary jobs created as a result of mining and transporting coal.

We believe that the Lease Application prepared by Alton Coal Development, LLC, and the studies by its contractors have addressed and resolved the environmental concerns associated with the proposed mine.

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If you have questions regarding our comments please contact Byard Kershaw by telephone at 435-644-3094 (H) or 602-478-9621 (C), or by email at northrimconsulting@kanab.net.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Respectfully,

Byard L Kershaw

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For Jim Matson

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