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Coal Hollow Vegetation Monitoring

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Hi Kirk,

I've reviewed ACD,s annual report, annual sage grouse report and incoming correspondence and have not been able to locate the vegetation monitoring data for the sage grouse habitat transects and the transect for 85.88 acre addition for highwall mining. If you have the data and can send it to the Division I will gladly vacate the attached NOV.

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Citation for Non-Compliance
Utah Coal Regulatory Program
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Citation #: 21154
Permit Number: C0250005
Date Issued: 07/16/2015

NOTICE OF VIOLATION **CESSATION ORDER (CO)** **FAILURE TO ABATE CO**

Permittee Name: ALTON COAL DEVELOPMENT LLC	Inspector Number and ID: 1 JHELFRIC
Mine Name: COAL HOLLOW	Date and Time of Inspection: 07/16/2015
Certified Return Receipt Number: 70123466 0002 95596519	Date and Time of Service: 07/16/2015

Nature of condition, practice, or violation:
 Alton Coal Development LLC has not conducted vegetation monitoring in accordance with the approved mining and reclamation Plan (MRP). This includes the vegetation transects in the sage grouse habitat areas and the transect in the 85.88 acre addition for highwall mining.

Provisions of Act, regulations, or permit violated:
 R645-300-143

This order requires Cessation of ALL mining activities. (Check box if appropriate.)

<input type="checkbox"/> Condition, practice, or violation is creating an imminent danger to health or safety of the public.	<input type="checkbox"/> Permittee is/has been conducting mining activities without a Permit.
<input type="checkbox"/> Condition, practice, or violation is causing or can reasonably be expected to cause significant, imminent environmental harm to land, air, or water resources.	<input type="checkbox"/> Permittee has failed to abate Violation(s) included in <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Violation or <input type="checkbox"/> Cessation Order within time for abatement originally fixed or subsequently extended.

This order requires Cessation of PORTION(S) of mining activities.

Mining activities to be ceased immediately: Yes No **Abatement Times (if applicable).**

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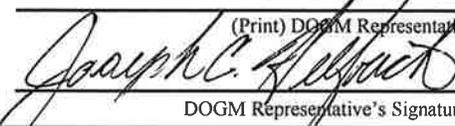
Action(s) required: Yes No
 There is no abatement required by this notice of violation.

Kirk Nicholes

 (Print) Permittee Representative

 Permittee Representative's Signature - Date

JOE HELFRICH

 (Print) DOGM Representative


 DOGM Representative's Signature - Date

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