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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 Phase 1 Bond Release for the Coal Hollow Mine. 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

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Affidavit of Publication

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(SS.
COUNTY OF KANE)

COPY OF NOTICE

I, Dennis A. Brunner, being duly sworn, depose and say that I am General Manager/Publisher of the SOUTHERN UTAH NEWS, a weekly newspaper of general circulation published every Wednesday at Kanab, Utah, for Kane County, Utah and Coconino County, Arizona, and a designated agent of the Utah Press Association and the notice attached hereto,

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Dennis Brunner, Publisher

Subscribed and sworn to before me 3-31-16

Cindy Forrester, Notary Public

Residing in Kanab, Utah.

My commission expires: 8-24-16



**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

Notice is hereby given that Alton Coal Development, LLC

has filed an application with the Utah Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining for Phase I Bond Release on approximately 31,017 acres of the Coal Hollow Mine ("CHM" or the "Reclaimed Coal Mine").

All areas for bond release have met the standards of the Utah 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 - 6 - A portion of the CHM within the N 1/2 of the N 1/2 of Sec. 30, T39S, R5W,

containing 2,898 acres. BRP1 - 6 includes the former Pit 1-B that has achieved final grade, subsoil placement and shaping for drainage control. Incremental reclamation of the BRP1 - 6 was completed in Feb. 2016.

BRP1 - 7 - A portion of the CHM within the NE 1/4 of Sec. 30 and the S 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 19, T39S, R5W, containing 25,822 acres. BRP1 - 7 includes the former Pits 9-B, HWT 1-B, and HWT 2-A that have achieved final grade, subsoil placement and shaping for drainage control. Incremental reclamation of the BRP1 - 7 was completed in Feb. 2016.

BRP1 - 8 - A portion of the CHM within the E 1/2 of the E 1/2 of Sec. 30, T39S, R5W, containing 2,297 acres. BRP1 - 8 includes the former HWT 3-A that has achieved final grade, subsoil placement and shaping for drainage control. Incremental reclamation of the BRP1 - 8 was completed in Feb. 2016.

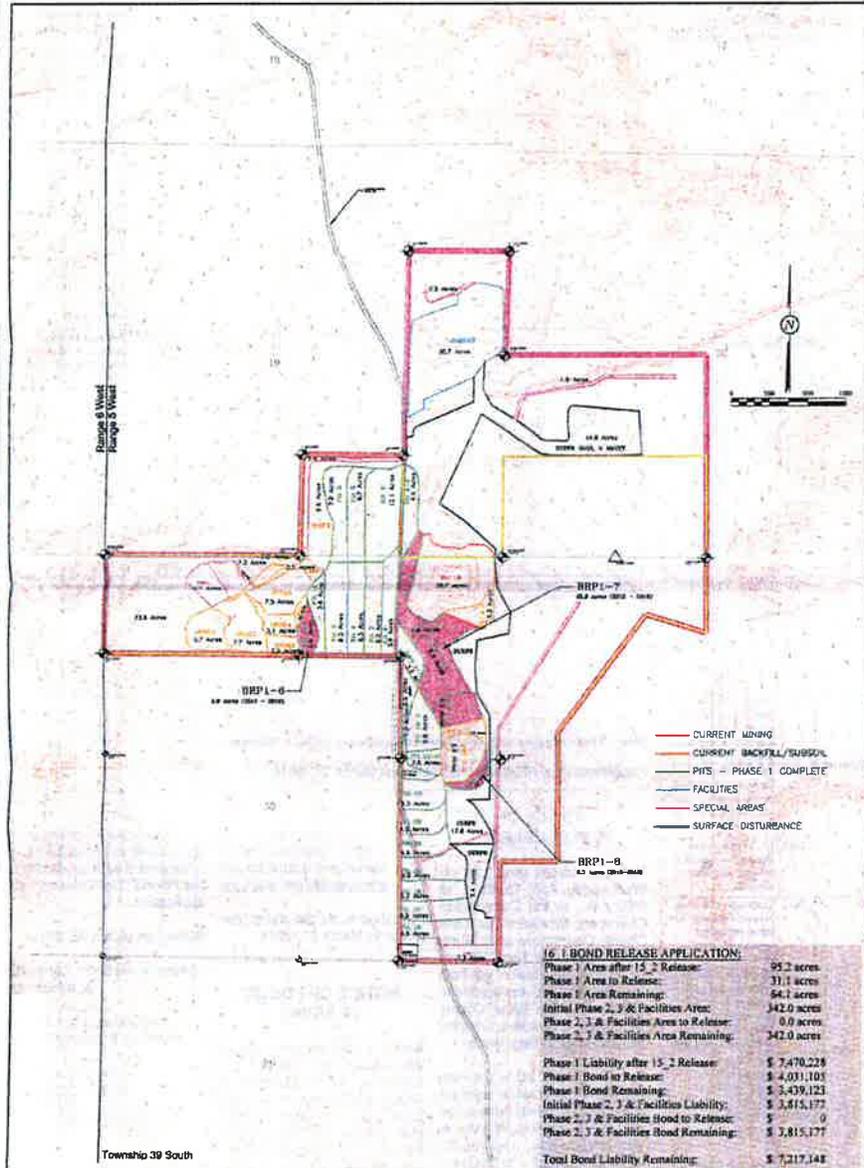
The Phase I bond release application is for a liability reduction of \$4,031,105 from the ultimate disturbance liability of \$32,028,705. The current bond for Coal Hollow Mine will remain at \$12,750,000. All of the above-described areas within the Reclaimed Coal Mine meet the requirements of the MRP and the Division's regula-

tions for post mine land use and for backfilling, regrading and drainage control standards.

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: PERMIT BOUNDARY, PRIVATE COAL OWNERSHIP, ULTIMATE PIT BOUNDARY, DISTURBANCE BNDY, SECTION LINE, FOUND SECTION CORNER, TOWNSHIP PROPERTY CORNER

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OVERVIEW PROPOSED BOND RELEASE 16_1
COAL HOLLOW PROJECT ALTON, UTAH
Figure 1

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Coal Hollow Mine

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