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Subject: Conditional Approval of Facility Update, Alton Coal Development, LLC, Coal Hollow Mine, C/025/0005, Task #6080

Dear Mr. Nicholes:

The above-referenced amendment is approved conditioned upon receipt of 2 clean copies prepared for incorporation. Please submit these copies by April 24, 2020. Once we receive these copies, final approval will be granted.

A stamped incorporated copy of the approved plans will also be returned to you at that time, for insertion into your copy of the Mining and Reclamation Plan.

If you have any questions, please call me at (385) 290-9937.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Christensen".

Steve Christensen
Coal Program Manager

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Technical Analysis and Findings

Utah Coal Regulatory Program

PID: C0250005
TaskID: 6080
Mine Name: COAL HOLLOW
Title: FACILITY UPDATE

Summary

This amendment modifies the narrative in Chapter 5 to show the relocation of the underground mine bathhouse and office trailer to the Main facilities yard on Dwg 5-3 Facilities Layout and Dwg 5-3A Facilities Structures/Culverts.

The amendment replaces all references in to reclamation of underground Pit 10, in Chapters 2 and 5, with a more general statement of reclamation of the final pit.

Drawings 5-3 Facilities and Structures Layout, Dwg 5-3A Facilities and Structures Culverts, and Drawing 5-8C Facilities and Structures Water Plan are replaced.

Underground Facilities & Structures Drawings 5-3B & C, and Underground Watershed Dwg 5-3D are removed.

Drawing 5-22I Primary Road Underground Access is removed.

Appendix 5-13 Evaluation of Pipeline from Pit 10 to Sediment Pond 3 is removed.

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General Contents

Permit Application Format and Contents

Analysis:

The application meets the State of Utah R645 requirements for Permit Application Format and Contents.

References to Pit 10 have been replaced with Pit F8 or the "open pit containing the underground portals."

The polypipe that carried water from Pit 10 to Pond 3 was buried in the fill. The existence of the pipe and its management during reclamation is stated in Section 528.332 Non-Coal Waste (p. 5-69). The pipeline is no longer shown on Plate 5-8C and analysis of the pipeline in Appendix 5-13 was removed.

This amendment removes reference to Pit 10 from the Soil Identification (Section 222.200) and Substitute Topsoil (Section 224) narratives in Chapter 2.

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