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Mr. Darrel Myran
Westmoreland Resources, Inc.
Absaloka Coal Mine
P.O. Box 449
Hardin, MT 59034

Permit ID: C1985005
Revision Type: Bond Release
Permitting Action: Determination
Subject: Bond Release Application #110 (SL18), Phase I, Administrative Completeness

Dear Mr. Myran:

Following Department review, we have determined that Bond Release Application #110 (SL 18), for 392.0 acres Phase I, is administratively complete. We will therefore attempt to conduct a formal bond release inspection by October 11, 2011, weather allowing, pursuant to ARM 17.24.1113.

Please contact me at 406-444-2885, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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