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Mr. Gabe Johnson
Spring Creek Coal, LLC
Spring Creek Coal Mine, C1979012
P.O. Box 67
Decker, MT 59025

RE: Bond Release Application SL6, Phase I & II, Administrative Completeness

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Following Department review, we have determined that Bond Release Application SL6, for 157 acres Phase I and 29 acres Phase II, is administratively complete. We will therefore attempt to conduct a formal bond release inspection by October 6, 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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