



May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016

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Permit ID: C1979012  
Revision Type: Major Revision 5<sup>th</sup> Round Response Submittal  
Permitting Action: Application  
Subject: TR1; 5<sup>th</sup> Round Acceptability Deficiency Response

Dear Chris:

The purpose of this letter is to respond and address the fifth round deficiency comments on Spring Creek Mine's (SCM) major revision permitting action known as TR1 sent December 21, 2015.

The purpose of this letter is to respond to the fourth round deficiency as described below.

**Deficiency:** ARM 17.24.314: Please update the PHC as discussed at the above-referenced meeting and a subsequent meeting held between Spring Creek Coal and DEQ on December 19, 2015.

**#1 Response:** The PHC has been revised to address the deficiencies. The enclosed response includes the entire PHC to aid in the review. The Word version includes tracked changes from the previous submittal. The PDF version includes changes accepted and all pages revised include the revision date of 20160502. When TR1 is determined to be administratively acceptable, a new revision date will be used consistently for all updated permit materials. The final version will also be submitted through the e-permit system. This fifth round response is being submitted through the final transfer system.

We look forward to working with the Department on this permit revision. Please call me at (406) 757-4236 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gabe Johnson".

Gabe Johnson  
Environmental Engineer

Enclosures – PHC in PDF and Word format  
cc: CF 5.2.5 (SCM-15)

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Hello,

The 5<sup>th</sup> round response for the TR1 major permit revision has been uploaded to the file transfer system.

Thank you,

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