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**To:** DEQ AEMD Coal; Dorrington, Matthew  
**Subject:** FW: Spring Creek Mine: Annual Reclamation Bond Calculation Update, Request for Extension

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**To:** Smith, Robert <RSmith2@mt.gov>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Spring Creek Mine: Annual Reclamation Bond Calculation Update, Request for Extension

Bob,

Spring Creek Mine would like to request an extension to the due date of April 15, 2020 for an update to our Annual Reclamation Bond Calculations.

COVID-19 has made it difficult to bring all pieces of the bonding calculations together and to allow for in-house review before officially sending the bond to MDEQ for review and eventual approval.

Is it possible for MDEQ to grant an extension to the deadline of April 15<sup>th</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup> for the new bond calculations?

Thank you, and please don't hesitate to call with questions. While working from home, the best phone number to use is my cell which is highlighted below.

Your consideration of this request is greatly appreciated.

Please feel free to call me with any questions.

Thank you,  
Laura

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Bob,

SCM has been working hard on obtaining the cash bond to increase our Reclamation Bond, but COVID-19 has made it difficult to obtain a notarized signature of the sole remaining officer with signatory authority for Spring Creek Coal, LLC (CPE). As it turns out, Gilbert E Nathan lives in one of the Connecticut hot spots which is under shelter-in-place orders. Is it possible for MDEQ to grant an extension to the deadline of April 15<sup>th</sup> to have full bonding in place for the Spring Creek Mine? We are inclined to ask for another 30 days to get all the pieces in place, but would welcome any extension of time that is offered.

Thank you, and please don't hesitate to call with questions. While working from home, the best phone number to use is my cell which is highlighted below.

Laura

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