



Alpha Natural Resources

August 28, 2014

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Document Control Desk
Washington, D.C. 20555

**Re: Black Castle Mining Company, Inc.
Previously: *Support Mining Company*
Specific License 47-31180-01**

Dennis Lawyer

At this time we would like to follow up with you on the information provided in response to the Notice of Violation for our Specific License 47-31180-01. Listed below is a brief description of the letters submitted for the Renewal in Entirety and our response to the Notice of Violation.

- June 23, 2014 – An Application for Renewal in Entirety dated June 20, 2014 was submitted for approval. This renewal included amendments to allow for the transfer of the existing GL licensed material to SL 47-31180-01. This request also included the appointment of Krista Jeffrey as the RSO for this license. These changes will allow for the future use of this license for this location.
- Aug. 18, 2014 – Reply to Notice of Violation dated Aug. 12, 2014 was submitted to the NRC via e-mail and also mailed to the two locations required. The content of this letter was to outline the dates of inspections and correspondence following the removal of the licensed material for SL 47-31180-01. The intent in this letter was to request the abatement or to reduce the severity of the violation due to the correspondence with the NRC following the removal and transfer of the licensed material.

As discussed in our phone conversation the future use of this license is pending due to the notification of employees at this location of the possible closing of this operation. Notification of any closings along with the status of inventory will be reported to the NRC. Upon receipt of the approval of the requested Renewal in Entirety of SL 47-31180-01 the NRC will be notified within thirty (30) days of the transfer of the existing devices from the GL license or the request for the termination of the specific license. Please contact William G. Newsome with any questions or requests for further information or documentation. He can be reached at (304) 369-8623 and by email at wnewsome@alphannr.com.

Respectfully Submitted

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