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January 27, 2017

Robert W. Bennet, Chief Executive Officer & President
Patriot Coal Corporation
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SUBJECT: PATRIOT COAL CORPORATION, ACCEPTANCE OF NOTIFICATION OF
BANKRUPTCY AND EMERGENCE FROM BANKRUPTCY, MAIL CONTROL
NOS. 587031, 587032, 587033, 587034, 587037, & 587038

Dear Mr. Bennett:

This is in reference to the letter dated May 13, 2015, from Mark Akers, Manager Environmental Compliance, notifying the NRC that Patriot Coal Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, including Eastern Associated Coal, LLC, Hobet Mining, LLC, Apogee Coal Company, LLC, Midland Trail Energy, LLC, and Catenary Coal Company, had filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. This letter is also in reference to the letter dated November 24, 2015, from Earl Moles, Environment Manager, notifying us that Patriot Coal Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiaries had completed the Chapter 11 restructuring process and most of Patriot Coal Corporation's assets were sold to Blackhawk Mining, LLC, and its remaining assets were sold to an affiliate of Virginia Conservation Legacy Fund, Inc. The aforementioned letters are accepted as notification. No further correspondence on this matter is required.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

**/RA/
Michael Reichard for**

John Miller, Health Physicist
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and Academic Branch]
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety
Region I

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