



THE STATE OF WYOMING

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In reply refer to:

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January 30, 1987

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED



Leonard H. Larson
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Re: Forfeiture of Reclamation Bond, Permit No. 560 ET

Dear Mr. Larson:

Please take notice that the Wyoming Environmental Quality Council, pursuant to Wyoming Statute 35-11-421(a), has approved the formal request of Randolph Wood, Director of the Department of Environmental Quality, to the Attorney General, that bond forfeiture proceedings be initiated against the reclamation surety bond for Permit No. 560ET. This bond is in the amount of \$200 and in the form of a certificate of deposit, No. 10258, from the State Bank of Thermopolis, Wyoming. Permit No. 560ET concerns a gravel mine located in Section 17, Township 23 North, Range 95 West, in Hot Springs County, Wyoming.

Wyoming Statute 35-11-421(b) states that:

The attorney general shall institute proceedings to forfeit the bond of any operator by providing written notice to the surety and to the operator that the bond will be forfeited unless the operator makes written demand to the council within thirty (30) days after his receipt of notice, requesting a hearing before the council. If no demand is made by the operator within thirty (30) days of his receipt of notice, then the council shall order the bond forfeited.

This letter is your notice that the reclamation surety bond for Permit No. 560ET will be forfeited unless your request a

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hearing from the Environmental Quality Council by writing to its office at 304 Emerson Building, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002.

This action is being taken as a result of your violations of the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act, for which you have already received notice. It appears that no mining has occurred at the mine for several years and that you have failed to reclaim the mine site as required by law. Upon forfeiture of the bond, the money will be used to reclaim the land disturbed by your past mining activities.

If you have questions, you may telephone me at (307) 777-7819.

Very truly yours,



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