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Department of Environmental Quality

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Todd Parfitt, Director

CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED: 7017 3040 0000 6069 5916

Ms. Natalie Hardesty
Twenty Mile LLC
234 Ulm Rd.
Wyarno, WY 82845

RE: Notice of Violation, Docket No. 6137-22, Twenty Mile LLC, Limited Mining Operation, ET1314

Dear Ms. Hardesty:

Enclosed you will find a Notice of Violation issued against Twenty Mile LLC under the provisions of W.S. §35-11-701(c)(i). The Notice of Violation is for failure to reclaim.


The Land Quality Division (LQD) is attempting to resolve this issue without further enforcement action and requires that Twenty Mile LLC contact Mark Rogaczewski, LQD District 3 Supervisor, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this letter to schedule a meeting to resolve this enforcement action. Should a resolution of the enforcement action be reached as a result of this meeting, a settlement agreement will be signed.

If you have questions, please contact Mark Rogaczewski, LQD District 3 Supervisor at (307) 675-5616 or Pete Rakowski at (307) 675-5613 or peter.rakowski@wyo.gov.

Sincerely,



Todd Parfitt
Director
Department of Environmental Quality



Kyle Wendtland
Administrator
Land Quality Division

Date: January 20, 2022

Enclosure: Notice of Violation Docket No. 6137-22

cc: Matt Van Wormer, Attorney General's Office
Mark Rogaczewski, Melissa Goins, Sheridan DEQ-LQD
deq-lqd.upload@wyo.gov
Karin Quigley, LQD Administrator's Administrative Assistant
Jody Paessler, DEQ Director's Administrative Assistant

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
STATE OF WYOMING**

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

IN THE MATTER OF THE NOTICE OF VIOLATION ISSUED TO:)	
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)	DOCKET NO. 6137-22
ATTN: MS. NATALIE HARDESTY)	
TWENTY MILE LLC)	
234 ULM RD.)	
WYARNO, WY 82845)	
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OPERATOR, LMO NO. ET1314)	
LIMITED MINING OPERATION)	


NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:


1. Notice of Violation (NOV) is being sent to you pursuant to Wyoming Statute §35-11-701(c)(i) which requires that a written notice shall be issued in the case of failure to correct or remedy an alleged violation.
2. The Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Land Quality Division (WDEQ/LQD) Non-Coal Rules, Chapter 10, Section 5(a) states: "After the mining operations have ceased the operator shall notify the Administrator of such fact and commence reclamation and restoration."
3. The Wyoming Secretary of State dissolved Twenty Mile LLC, on October 9, 2013 for delinquent taxes. No mineral has been reported as removed from the mine since the 2014-2015 Annual Report. Twenty Mile LLC has not filed an annual report with the Administrator since May 13, 2016.
4. Twenty Mile LLC's failure to notify the Administrator or commence reclamation and restoration after ceasing operations is a violation of the Non-Coal Rules, Chapter 10, Section 5(a).
5. Wyoming Statute §35-11-901(a) provides that any person who violates any provision of the Environmental Quality Act or any rule, standard, permit, license or variance adopted thereunder is subject to a penalty of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for each day of violation, a temporary or permanent injunction, or both a penalty and an injunction. Such penalties or injunctive relief may be recovered in a civil action brought by the Attorney General in the name of the People of the State of Wyoming.

NOTHING IN THE NOTICE shall be interpreted to in any way limit or contravene any other remedy available under the Environmental Quality Act, nor shall this NOV be interpreted as being a condition precedent to any other enforcement action.

SIGNED this 20th day of January, 2022



Todd Parfitt
Director
Department of Environmental Quality



Kyle Wendtland
Land Quality Division Administrator
Department of Environmental Quality

Please direct all inquiries regarding this Notice of Violation to Mr. Mark Rogaczewski, District III Supervisor, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality/Land Quality Division, 2100 West 5th Street, Sheridan, WY, 82801

LMO No. 1314 ET – Limited Mining Operation

cc: Mark Rogaczewski, Melissa Goins, LQD
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