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From: Shannon Anderson <sanderson@powderriverbasin.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 2:03 PM
To: 'Steve Dietrich'
Subject: RE: Status of Two Elk Generation Partners PSD Permit

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Thanks for the information, Steve. I do have a couple of follow-up questions, though. Does AQD have any recent information – perhaps a site investigation report or something like that – explaining the current “construction” status and the basis for DEQ’s determination that CT-1352B is still an active permit? And is there a time limit that applicants have to get back to the AQD before the AQD will close the application file?

And thanks for the clarifying information on the gas turbine.

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From: Steve Dietrich [<mailto:steve.dietrich@wyo.gov>]
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Subject: Status of Two Elk Generation Partners PSD Permit

Shannon:

I am in receipt of your e-mails to me, dated January 14 & 15, 2014, inquiring about the status of the PSD permit for the Two Elk Generation Partners. The current permit (CT-1352B) was issued by DEQ-Air Quality on May 29, 2003 and it is still considered to be an active air permit.

A permit revision to modify the current PSD permit was received by DEQ-Air Quality on July 20, 2010. This permit application (AP-10966) was reviewed by DEQ-Air Quality and a letter was sent to the permit applicant (Two Elk) on August 23, 2010 requesting additional information. To date, the Division is still waiting for this additional information.

In your e-mail dated January 15, 2014, you made reference to a gas plant being considered by Two Elk. To date, DEQ-Air Quality has not received any request or permit application for a gas plant from Two Elk. However, it might be that you meant to reference a gas turbine instead. In that case, the current PSD permit (CT-1352B) includes a 45 MW natural gas turbine as part of the equipment permitted to be built.

I hope I have answered your questions.

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