



February 3, 2016

Mr. Trey Patterson
Padlock Ranch
8420 US Highway 14
Ranchester, WY 82839

**RE: Brook Mine- Wyoming Department of Environmental Land Quality Division
(WDEQ/LQD) Surface Owner Consent Request**

Dear Mr. Patterson:

As you are aware from the mine and reclamation plans and material previously provided to you on August, 11 2014, Brook Mining Co., LLC has proposed to conduct coal mining on lands in Sheridan County, which will be called the Brook Mine. Padlock, or an affiliated entity, holds limited surface owner rights on a portion of this land. At this time, the revised mine plan and reclamation plan have been deemed technically adequate and in compliance with the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act by WDEQ/LQD.

As part of its application, WDEQ/LQD requires that the attached Form 8 surface owner consent to the revised mine and reclamation plan be provided for the affected lands. If consent cannot be obtained by Brook Mining Co., LLC, an order in lieu of consent will be sought from the Wyoming Environmental Quality Council.

We request that you please review and sign the semi-completed attached form 8. Additional revised, mine and reclamation plans that have been publically available starting November 3, 2014 have been provided here with this letter for your review. The requested form 8 consent involves property subject to a surface mining consent reservation in favor of RAMACO Wyoming, LLC contained in deeds between the predecessor parties.

Ramaco requests that upon review, that you sign and date four (4) originals of the provided Form 8. We would appreciate return of this consent no later than by February 19, 2016.

Please contact, the undersigned at WWC Engineering- (ph: 307-672-0761) if you have any questions or comments regarding this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeff Barron".

Jeff Barron, P.E.
Project Engineer

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Attachment: as noted

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