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Jim Ruby, Executive Secretary Environmental Quality Council

October 17, 2011

Environmental Quality Council 122 W. 25th Street Herschler Building, Room 1714 Cheyenne, WY 82002 Attention: Tim Flitner, Chairman

RE: In the matter of the Appeal and Appeal for Review of:

The Notice of Violation issued to Thunder Basin Coal Company for Operations at

its Coal Creek Mine Docket No.: 11-4601

Dear Mr. Flitner:

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$7,500.00, which I am posting on behalf of Thunder Basin Coal Company as a bond for the above referenced appeal.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Mary A. Throne

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cc: Thunder Basin Coal Company

cc: Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality

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