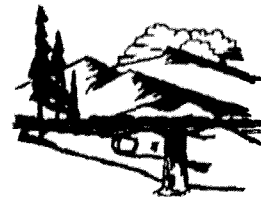


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**Jim Ruby, Executive Secretary
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Jason A. Lillegraven, Ph.D.
2443 Overland Road
Laramie, WY 82070

RE: Arch of Wyoming, LLC, TFN 5 6/090

Dear Dr. Lillegraven:

We have received your letter regarding the proposed amendment to a regular mining permit to Arch of Wyoming, LLC. As allowed by the Environmental Quality Act, the Environmental Quality Council (EQC) will set the date, time and place for a hearing. Jim Ruby, the Executive Secretary for the EQC, will notify you by mail once this has been done.

The hearing will be conducted as a contested case, pursuant to the provisions of the Environmental Quality Act, the Administrative Procedure Act, and Department of Environmental Quality Rules of Practice and Procedure. To obtain a copy of the Department of Environmental Quality Rules of Practice & Procedure, you can access the EQC website, <http://deq.state.wy.us/eqc/index.asp>, or check the appropriate area of page two and return it to our office at the above address.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Nancy Nuttbrock
Administrator
Land Quality Division

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xc: Jim Ruby
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