

February 9, 2021

Vernon Haltom
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Coal River Mountain Watch
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RE: S-5024-08 Renewal #4
Response to Objection

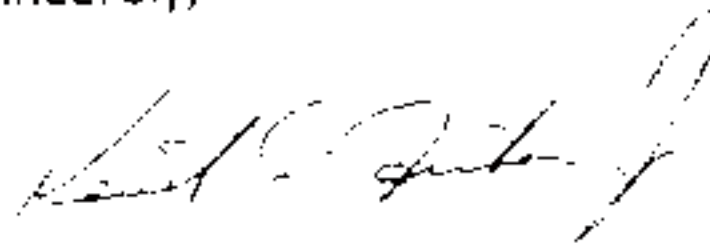
Dear Mr. Haltom,

This letter is in response to your email dated January 20, 2022 addressed to the West Virginia Division of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) concerning your opposition to the above referenced permit application. In response to your letter, Lexington Coal Company, LLC (LCC) provides the following information.

Your email expresses your stated concerns of the potential impacts of this operation. This renewal is to renew an active permit that has been designed and previously approved in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. LCC is a locally owned company that believes environmental stewardship is integral to safe, productive, and cost-effective mining operation. We always constantly strive to achieve 100% compliance with all applicable regulations and laws covering this proposed operation. The majority of LCC's active work company wide is reclamation. This site is one of two active operations that help fund our reclamation activities.

We respect your right as a citizen to voice your concerns and objections, and only hope that by doing our jobs in the best manner that we can, that your listed concerns will be alleviated and/or minimized to the most practical extent possible.

Sincerely,



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