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May 16, 2018

Mr. David J. Morris
Pacific Coast Coal Company
PO Box 450
Black Diamond, WA 98010

Re: National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)
Permit No. WA0030830; Pacific Coast Coal Company

Dear Mr. Morris:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) acknowledges receiving an NPDES permit renewal application for Pacific Coast Coal Company on March 22, 2018. The application has been reviewed and accepted as complete on May 16, 2018.

Your current NPDES permit has an expiration date of January 11, 2013, which was further extended for five years. In accordance with the Washington State Administrative Procedures Act (RCW 34.05.422(3)) and Washington Administrative Code 173-220-180(5), your current permit and its terms and conditions are administratively extended and will remain in effect and enforceable until Ecology issues a new permit and it becomes effective.

State law requires the circulation and publication of notices which describe the proposed issuance of new or renewed water permits. This is intended to allow the public to be aware of and comment on such actions. Enclosed is a copy of the public notice that will be published in the Maple Valley/Covington/Black Diamond Reporter on May 25 and June 1, 2018. A similar notice will be mailed from this office to agencies, groups and individuals that have requested such notices for this geographic area. Another public notice will be published when the draft permit has been prepared.

If you have any questions regarding the application or the development of your renewal permit, please contact Monika Kannadaguli at mkan461@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Tricia Miller
Permit Coordinator
Northwest Regional Office

By Certified Mail

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**NOTICE: ANNOUNCEMENT FOR A WASTEWATER PERMIT APPLICATION
 TO DISCHARGE TO STATE WATERS**

Permit No.: WA0030830

Applicant: Pacific Coast Coal Company (PCCC)
 John Henry No. 1 Mine
 30700 Black Diamond-Ravensdale Rd
 Black Diamond, King County

has reapplied for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 90.48 revised Code of Washington as amended and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (Clean Water Act) to discharge treated stormwater and mine dewatering water into Ginder Lake, Mud Lake Creek and Lake 12.

This permit regulates the discharge of stormwater and process water which happen at the facility during coal mining, reclamation, and while the mine is inactive. Ecology will continue to require coverage under the NPDES permit to regulate these discharges for the continued protection of water quality. For more information go to ecology.wa.gov/pccc

PUBLIC COMMENT AND INFORMATION

Interested agencies, organizations or persons desiring to express their views or to be notified of the Department of Ecology (Ecology) actions on this permit application should notify Ecology at the address or email below.

Comments should be sent to:

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The application and related documents are available for inspection and copying between the hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays at the Ecology Northwest Regional Office. If you require special accommodations or need this document in a format for the visually impaired, call Tricia Miller at (425)649-7201. Persons with hearing loss can call 711 for Washington Relay Service. Persons with a speech disability can call 877-833-6341.

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