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DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE TO REISSUE A UPDES PERMIT

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS TO DECLARE THE STATE OF UTAH'S INTENTION TO REISSUE A UTAH POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (UPDES) PERMIT UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE UTAH WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT, SECTION 19-5-104(9) AND 107(2), UTAH CODE ANNOTATED 1953, AS AMENDED. SAID "PERMIT" REFERS TO THE UPDES PERMIT AND THE FACT SHEET STATEMENT OF BASIS (INCLUDING TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDL'S)) IF APPLICABLE, AS PER SECTION 303(D) OF THE FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT (CWA).

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: Utah Land Resources, Inc. – Princess Mine

FACILTY LOCATION: Approximately 15 miles northwest of Huntington, Utah in Crandall

Canyon located off Utah Highway 31 in Emery County.

MAILING ADDRESS: PO Box 910, East Carbon, UT 84520

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 435-888-4000 UPDES PERMIT NUMBER: UT0024368

PERMITTED OUTFALLS: 001, 002-A & 002-B

RECEIVING WATERS: Crandall Canyon Creek & Huntington Creek

BACKGROUND

The Utah Land Resources, Inc. Princess Mine (Mine) is an inactive underground coal mine facility with *Standard Industrial Classification Code 1222 - bituminous underground coal mining operations*. The Mine (also formerly known as the Genwal Resources Crandall Canyon Mine) is located in Crandall Canyon, a tributary to Huntington Canyon, within the Manti-La Sal National Forest in Emery County, Utah. During active operations, the Mine previously extracted coal from the Wasatch Plateau Coal Field using a combination of continuous and long-wall mining techniques. Production from the Mine ceased in August 2007 following a tragic mine collapse. Mine water continues to flow however, out of the Mine portal and therefore a UPDES discharge permit is required.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

During the public comment period provided under Utah Administrative Code (UAC) R317-8-6.5, any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and may request a public hearing, if no hearing has already been scheduled. A request for a public hearing shall be in writing and shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. All comments will be considered in making the final decision and shall be answered as provided in UAC R317-8-6.12. Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on <u>October 31, 2022</u>. Written public comments can be submitted to: Jeff Studenka, UPDES Individual Permits Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, PO Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: <u>wqcomments@utah.gov</u>. After considering public comment the Utah Division of Water Quality may execute the permit issuance, revise it, or abandon it. The permit is available for public review under "Public Notices" at https://deq.utah.gov/division-water-quality. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Jeff Studenka at 385-602-7303.

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