



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

August 20, 2019

Blackhawk Mining, LLC
ATTN: D. Edward Brown
VP Technical Services
3228 Summit Square Place
Suite 180
Lexington, KY 40509

**SUBJECT: BLACKHAWK MINING, LLC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BANKRUPTCY
NOTIFICATION**

Dear Mr. Brown:

This acknowledges the letter dated August 12, 2019, informing the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) that Blackhawk Mining, LLC (Blackhawk Mining) and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, including Blue Creek Mining, LLC; Guyandotte Mining, LLC; Panther Creek Mining, LLC; Rockwell Mining, LLC; Hampden Coal, LLC; Kanawha Eagle Mining, LLC; Panther Creek Mining, LLC; Rockwell Mining, LLC; and Triad Mining, LLC, filed for bankruptcy under Chapter 11 in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Delaware on July 19, 2019.

Please be informed that the bankruptcy filing does not relieve Blackhawk Mining and its listed subsidiaries of their obligations to comply with NRC requirements, including those relating to the security and control of licensed material, classified material and information, decontamination and decommissioning of contaminated facilities, and the retention of personnel required by NRC requirements [e.g., the radiation safety officer (RSO), authorized users]. Additionally, the NRC will continue to conduct inspections of your activities.

Please be aware that you must first properly secure, dispose of, or transfer all licensed material, and you must inform NRC of this situation. This includes, for example, if you need to close a building. NRC licenses remain in full effect, even beyond their stated expiration date, until terminated in writing by NRC.

You may not (i) transfer control of your license without prior written NRC approval or (ii) transfer licensed material, except as authorized by NRC regulations. You should ensure that your attorney and any trustee involved in the bankruptcy proceeding are aware of these obligations. A person must obtain an NRC license prior to taking control of licensed activities or possession of the licensed material, including any contaminated equipment or property transferred by the licensee.

Please notify us immediately if you are unable to meet any of these conditions. Also, please notify us when the bankruptcy proceeding is completed.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. You may contact me at (301) 415-7124 or at Celimar.Valentin-Rodriguez@nrc.gov if you have any questions or need information concerning the status of your license or activities.

Sincerely,

8/20/2019

X



Celimar Valentin-Rodriguez, Ph.D.

General Engineer

Signed by: Celimar Valentin-Rodriguez

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and Tribal Programs
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47-2531-01; 47-24809-01;
30878; 700085; 708880;
701385; 40529; 710513;
718889

Docket Nos. 030-37777; 030-30008;
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