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Mr. Russell Kirkham
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RE: Jumbo Dome Surface Coal Mining Permit Application Completeness Submittal

Dear Mr. Kirkham:

In accordance with the provisions of AS 27.21, Usibelli Coal Mine, Inc. hereby submits a digital copy of the surface coal mining permit application for our proposed Jumbo Dome Mine. A hard copy shall be personally delivered to your office this week.

The application document addresses the informational requirements contained in 11 AAC Chapter 90 and includes the following sections: Part A, Application and Mine Site Identification; Part B, Legal, Financial and Compliance and Information; Part C, Environment Resources Information; Part D, Operation and Reclamation Plan; and Part E, Special Categories of Mining. Responses to all Completeness Review Comments are included in the submittal.

UCM will complete the year requirement for groundwater data collection by December of 2011.

We trust the enclosed application demonstrates that the proposed mining and reclamation operations will meet the requirements of the Performance Standards set forth in the regulations. Once again we stand ready to work with you and your staff and answer any questions that may arise during the review and approval process.

Sincerely,

USIBELLI COAL MINE, INC.

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