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### **PUBLIC NOTICE: DECISION AND FINDINGS OF COMPLIANCE FOR A MAJOR REVISION TO PERMIT # S-0603**

Usibelli Coal Mine, Inc. (UCM), P.O. Box 1000, Healy, Alaska 99743, has filed for a major revision to their permit to conduct surface coal mining activities at their Two Bull Ridge Mine (permit number S-0603).

The Two Bull Ridge Mine permit consists of a 2,522-acre mine site, and is located approximately five (5) miles northeast of Healy, Alaska. The mine is located within: Sections 26-28 and 32-35, Township 11 South, Range 7 West, and Sections 3-5, Township 12 South, Range 7 West, Fairbanks Meridian. Land affected by this proposed revision is owned by the State of Alaska.

The proposed revision is to relocate the coal ash disposal site from the Poker Flats Permit area (Permit s # 01-83-796, 01-83-796-01, and S-0601-A) to the Two Bull Ridge Permit area. Coal ash will be disposed of in cells located within the active mine pit within the Two Bull Ridge Mine Area. Coal Ash disposal for the UCM Healy mines has been authorized by the State's Department of Environmental Conservation Solid Waste Disposal permit #SWZA046-015.

Copies of the existing permit, the Preliminary Findings of Facts and Decisions, and the Final Findings of Facts and Decisions are available for review at the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land and Water, 550 West 7th Avenue, Suite 920, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, and at the Department's Fairbanks office at 3700 Airport Way, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709 or on the departmental website ([dnr.state.ak.us/mlw/mining/index.htm](http://dnr.state.ak.us/mlw/mining/index.htm)).

The applicant or a person with an interest which is or may be adversely affected by this decision may request in writing a hearing under AS 27.21.150 to review the reasons for this decision. The request for a hearing may be mailed or delivered to Daniel S. Sullivan, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, 550 West 7th Avenue, Suite 1400, Anchorage, AK 99501; faxed to 907.269.8918; or sent by electronic mail to [dnr.appeals@alaska.gov](mailto:dnr.appeals@alaska.gov). The request for a hearing must be received within 30 days after the applicant is notified of this decision. The request for a hearing must be received by 5:00 p.m., May 20, 2013.