

November 30, 2009

Terry Abel
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Dear Mr. Abel:

Re: Coal Valley Resources Inc.'s proposed Mercoal West and Yellowhead Tower Mine Extension Project ERCB Application No. 1564181 EPEA Application No. 019-11066 and Water Act No. 00247827

In support of the *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act* (EPEA) Application No. 019-11066, *Water Act* File No. 00247827 and ERCB Application No. 1564181, Alberta Environment and associated government agencies have reviewed the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report received on March 5, 2008 and Supplemental Information Request Responses received on April 29, 2009 and October 9, 2009.

Please be advised that I have deemed the EIA complete pursuant to Section 53 of EPEA.

Please contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss Alberta Environment's review of the EIA report.

Sincerely,



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