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## **Environmental Impact Assessment Report Required for Vista Project - Phase II**

Dear Ms. Buchanan,

The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) has reviewed the information submitted by Coalspur Mines (Operations) Ltd. (Coalspur), on October 29, 2018, for the proposed Vista Project – Phase II (the project). The proposed project is a mandatory activity pursuant to Schedule 1 (g) of the *Environmental Assessment (Mandatory and Exempted Activities) Regulation*. Coalspur is required, pursuant to section 44(1)(a) of the *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act (EPEA)*, to prepare and submit an environmental impact assessment (EIA) report for this project. The EIA report is to be prepared in accordance with the provisions of Division 1 of Part 2 of *EPEA*.

If you have any questions or require further direction about the environmental assessment process, please e-mail [Camille.Almeida@aer.ca](mailto:Camille.Almeida@aer.ca).

Coalspur should contact the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency to discuss the potential submission of a federal project description and any federal environmental assessment requirements under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012*.

Coalspur should also note that Alberta's *First Nations and Métis Settlements Consultation Policies* (2013 and 2015) and *Guidelines* (2014 and 2016) may apply to this project. For more information, please contact the Aboriginal Consultation Office.

Sincerely,



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