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March 23, 2010

Mr. Robert G. Hardman
Mine Safety and Health Administration
100 Bluestone Road
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Re: Performance Coal Company
Upper Big Branch Mine
MSHA ID : 46-08436
State ID: U-3042-92
Ventilation Plan Revision

Dear Sir:

Please find the enclosed ventilation revision for the Upper Big Branch Mine for your review and approval. This plan is needed to remove the longwall mining unit from its current location. The longwall will be recovered from both the Head and the Tail side. A minimum of 30,000CFM of intake air will be provided to both the head and the tail.

This mine currently has no miner's representative. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at (304) 854-3516.

Respectfully Submitted,
Performance Coal Company, Inc.

Eric Lilly
Mine Engineer

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