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Russell Kirkham  
State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Mining, Land, and Water  
550 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 900 D  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2650

**Re: Request for Phase I Bond Release within Poker Mine for 78 acres**

Dear Mr. Kirkham,

Usibelli Coal Mine (UCM) is requesting Phase I bond release for 78 acres at the Poker Flats Mine, Permits 02-83-796, S-0601A. All applicable reclamation activities have been accomplished in accordance with the requirements of AS 27.21, 11AC-90 and the approved reclamation plan. In the three areas shown on the attached map, "Poker Phase I Bond Release Areas 2017", final regrading is complete and drainages are established. The current bond for Poker Phase I Bond on 131 acres is \$585,576.

$$\text{Phase I Release Amount} = \$585,576 * (78/131) * 60\% = \$209,198$$

After this, the Phase I bond amount for Poker Reclamation should be \$376,378 and will leave 53 acres within Poker still needing Phase I Bond Release. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Fred W. Wallis, P.E.  
V.P. Engineering

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017, before me personally appeared Fred Wallis, V.P. Engineering, Usibelli Coal Mine, Inc., who executed this letter and voluntarily signed.

IN MY TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal on the day and year shown.

Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires 04/01/2020

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> Day of March 2017





