



# WESTMORELAND COAL COMPANY- *COAL VALLEY MINE*

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**Jim Ellis - CEO**

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Suite 1000, 250 – 5 Street SW  
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Mr. Jim Ellis,

RE: Withdrawal of the Robb Trend Coal Mine Expansion Project Application 1725257 (the 'Application')

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Coal Valley Resources ('CVRI') has submitted a request to Environment Canada to withdraw (terminate), the designated Robb Trend Coal Mine Expansion Project 61436 (the 'Project') currently under Joint Panel Review with the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency and the Alberta Energy Regulator ('AER'). The request was made in accordance with Section 62 of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act.

CVRI has reviewed the Application and has determined it necessary to withdraw the Application. CVRI believes that at this time the Project requires additional review and planning to address concerns and improve upon the proposed environmental mitigation strategies.

CVRI will submit a request to the AER Application Coordinator to close Application 1725257 upon confirmation of the Project termination.

Sincerely,

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**Kari McDonald, BA.Sc.**

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