



December 19, 2023

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REVISED

Re: Westmoreland and Fayette Counties
Westmoreland County: Donegal Township
Fayette County: Saltlick Township
LCT Energy, LP
Permit No. 65131301
Rustic Ridge #1 Mine
To Revise the Mining Plan for State Routes that overly the Rustic Ridge #1 Mine

Colleagues:

We acknowledge receipt of the permit revision. There are six (6) state roads involved namely SR 0031, SR 0711, SR 1058, SR 2002, SR 2029, and SR 2031 in Westmoreland and Fayette Counties. We object to any extraction causing a Pillar Factor of Safety no less than 2.0 under any state road.

If you encounter any questions, please contact Roy Painter, P.E., District Geotechnical Engineer at 724-439-7357.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Roy A. Painter".

Roy A. Painter, P.E.
Geotechnical Engineer
Engineering District 12-0

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cc: LCT Energy, LP
Apex Companies, LLC
Dave Forkey, Westmoreland County Maintenance Manager
Jason Spangler, Fayette County Maintenance Manager