March 26, 2013

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY
UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE OF REISSUANCE OF A UPDES PERMIT

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS TO DECLARE THE STATE OF UTAH’S INTENTION TO REISSUE A UTAH POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (UPDES) PERMIT UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE UTAH WATER QUALITY ACT, SECTION 19-5-104 AND 107, UTAH CODE ANNOTATED 1953, AS AMENDED. SAID “PERMIT” REFERS TO UPDES PERMIT AND THE STATEMENT OF BASIS (INCLUDING THE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDL’S)) IF APPLICABLE, AS PER SECTION 303 (d) OF THE FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT (CWA).

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: General Permit for Coal Mining
MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-4870
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (801) 536-4300
FACILITY LOCATION: 195 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84116
UPDES PERMIT NO.: UTG040000

BACKGROUND

Utah Administrative Code (UAC) Section R317-8-2.5 authorizes the issuance of general permits to categories of point sources within the same geographical area, which involve similar types of operations, discharge the same types of wastes, and require similar effluent limitations and pollution control measures. This general permit will cover discharges of treated wastewater from coal mining operations. The following facilities have submitted Notice of Intents for coverage under the General Permit for Coal Mining and will be issued coverage pending results of this public notice: Savage Coal Terminal (UTG040005), Castle Valley Mining (UTG040006), Wildcat Loadout (UTG040007), Cottonwood Coal Preparation and Blending Facility (UTG040009), Wellington Preparation Plant (UTG040010), Banning Coal Loadout Facility (UTG040011), Horizon Mine (UTG040019), Utah American Energy, Inc. – Lila Canyon Mine Facility (UTG040024), Star Point Refuse Pile (UTG040025), Consolidation Coal Company – Hidden Valley Mine (UTG040026), Kinney #2 Mine (UTG040028) and Utah American Energy, Inc. – Tower Mine Facility (UTG040029).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to close of business on April 26, 2013. Written public comments can be submitted to: Mike Herkimer, UPDES Engineering Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: mherkimer@utah.gov. After considering public comment the Utah Division of Water Quality may execute the permit reissuance, revise it, or abandon it.

The permit is available for public review under “Public Participation” at www.waterquality.utah.gov. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Mike Herkimer at 801-536-4386.