## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS BOARD OF LAND APPEALS

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS,		)	IBLA No. 2016-
	Appellant	) ) ) )	Notice of Appeal, Twentymile Coal, LLC Lease Modification, COC-54608, EA #DOI-BLM-CO-2014-0044-EA, Routt County, Colorado

## **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Pursuant to 43 C.F.R. §§ 4.410, 4.411, and 4.413, WildEarth Guardians (hereafter, "Appellant") hereby files this Notice of Appeal of a decision made by Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") Little Snake Field Office Manager, Wendy Reynolds. Ms. Reynolds' decision authorizes a coal lease modification that would add 310 acres and 340,000 tons of coal to lease number COC-54608. The lease was applied for by Twentymiel Coal, LLC, a subsidiary of Peabody Energy, and would expand the Foidel Creek mine in Routt County in northwestern Colorado. This decision is documented in a Decision Record ("DR") and Finding of No Significant Impact ("FONSI") both signed by Ms. Reynolds on December 31, 2015. The DR and FONSI rely on Environmental Assessment ("EA") Number DOI-BLM-CO-20140-0044-EA.

Appellant will file a Statement of Reasons within 30 days in accordance with 43 C.F.R. § 4.412.

Respectfully submitted this 28th day of January 2016,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on January 28, 2016, I served this Notice of Appeal by certified mail, return receipt requested, upon:

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