Congress of the United States House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY

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August 21, 2015

The Honorable Gina McCarthy Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator McCarthy,

The Committee on Science, Space, and Technology of the U.S. House of Representatives requests your presence, or that of your designee, at a hearing on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in room 2318 of the Rayburn House Office Building. The purpose of this hearing is to examine circumstance surrounding the recent 3 million gallon chemical spill at the Gold King mine in Colorado.

To allow sufficient time for questions at the hearing, please highlight the most significant points of your testimony in an oral presentation of no more than five minutes. You are requested to submit a written statement, which may be of any reasonable length and may contain supplemental materials; however, please be aware that the Committee cannot guarantee that supplemental material will be included in the printed hearing record. Please include a one-page summary of the major points you wish to make. Oral statements and answers to Member questions will be printed as part of the verbatim record of the hearing; only technical, grammatical, and typographical errors will be corrected.

Witnesses testifying before the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology must observe procedures governing witness testimony. These procedures are described in the following enclosures and provide important details concerning the preparation and presentation of your testimony before the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

- The first enclosure outlines the rules governing appearance before the Committee.
- The second enclosure provides you with the Committee's Hearing Room Capabilities.
- The third enclosure provides you with the Truth-In-Testimony Instructions and the Truth-In-Testimony Disclosure Form.

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Please email your testimony, biography, and truth-in-testimony form, in a searchable PDF format, to Brian Corcoran at <u>Brian.Corcoran@mail.house.gov</u> as soon as it is available, but not less than 48 hours before the hearing. Sixty-five printed copies of your testimony and biography, and one original, signed copy of your truth-in-testimony form, must be hand delivered to the Committee's main office, Room 2321 Rayburn, 48 hours before the hearing. Due to increased security measures in place at House office buildings, you will need to contact Brian Corcoran at 202.225.6371 to arrange for the delivery of your testimony. We recommend that you attach your biography to the testimony.

In addition, if you wish to use the Committee's multimedia facilities, a description of which is enclosed, please contact Committee IT staff at SSTIT@mail.house.gov. Our staff can usually accommodate most requests with 72 hours notice.

If you have any questions concerning any aspect of your testimony please contact Drew Colliatie or Lamar Echols of the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology staff at 202.226.6371. I look forward to your participation in the hearing.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

- (1) Rules Governing Appearance before the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
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