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Memorandum

To: Acting Deputy Secretary

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Acting Director

Subject: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement response to
Secretarial Order 3349

In response to the Secretarial Order 3349 request for information on “other actions impacting energy development,” the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) has compiled a list of actions. The list is comprised of actions “that potentially burden the development or utilization of domestically produced energy resources” which, for OSMRE is limited to coal. The word “burden” means to “unnecessarily obstruct, delay, curtail, or otherwise impose significant costs on the siting, permitting, production, utilization, transmission, or delivery of energy resources” (Presidential Executive Order on Promoting Energy Independence and Economic Growth, March 28, 2017).

In compiling the following list of actions for review, OSMRE considered direct and indirect impacts to the coal industry, as well as impacts to the States with primary responsibility for regulating coal mining activities, pursuant to the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (SMCRA).

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