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**DRUMMOND
COMPANY, Inc.**

August 15, 2011

Mr. James J McHugh
Alabama Department of Conservation
and Natural Resources
64 North Union Street
Montgomery, AL 36130

RE: Permit Revision to ASMC for Shoal Creek Mine,
Tuscaloosa County, AL

Dear Mr. McHugh:

Drummond Company, Inc., is in process of submitting a permit revision for surface disturbances associated with the underground mine location referenced above to the Alabama Surface Mining Commission in Jasper, Alabama for technical review as prescribed by the Alabama Surface Mining Act No. 81-435 and its regulations which resulted from the Federal Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act No. 95-87. I have enclosed a map showing the extent of the five proposed project areas. The size of the proposed gob well sites is 1 acre each. The size of the proposed fan site is 2 acres. The areas have been in undeveloped timber production for an extended period of time and a portion of each area has been disturbed with the installation of methane gas wells. The areas are located in Sections 25, 26 & 36 of Township 17 South Range 8 West and Sections 19 & 30 of Township 17 South Range 7 West in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. I would appreciate your comments concerning our proposed operation as it relates to endangered or threatened species or their critical habitat in the proposed permit area as soon as possible.

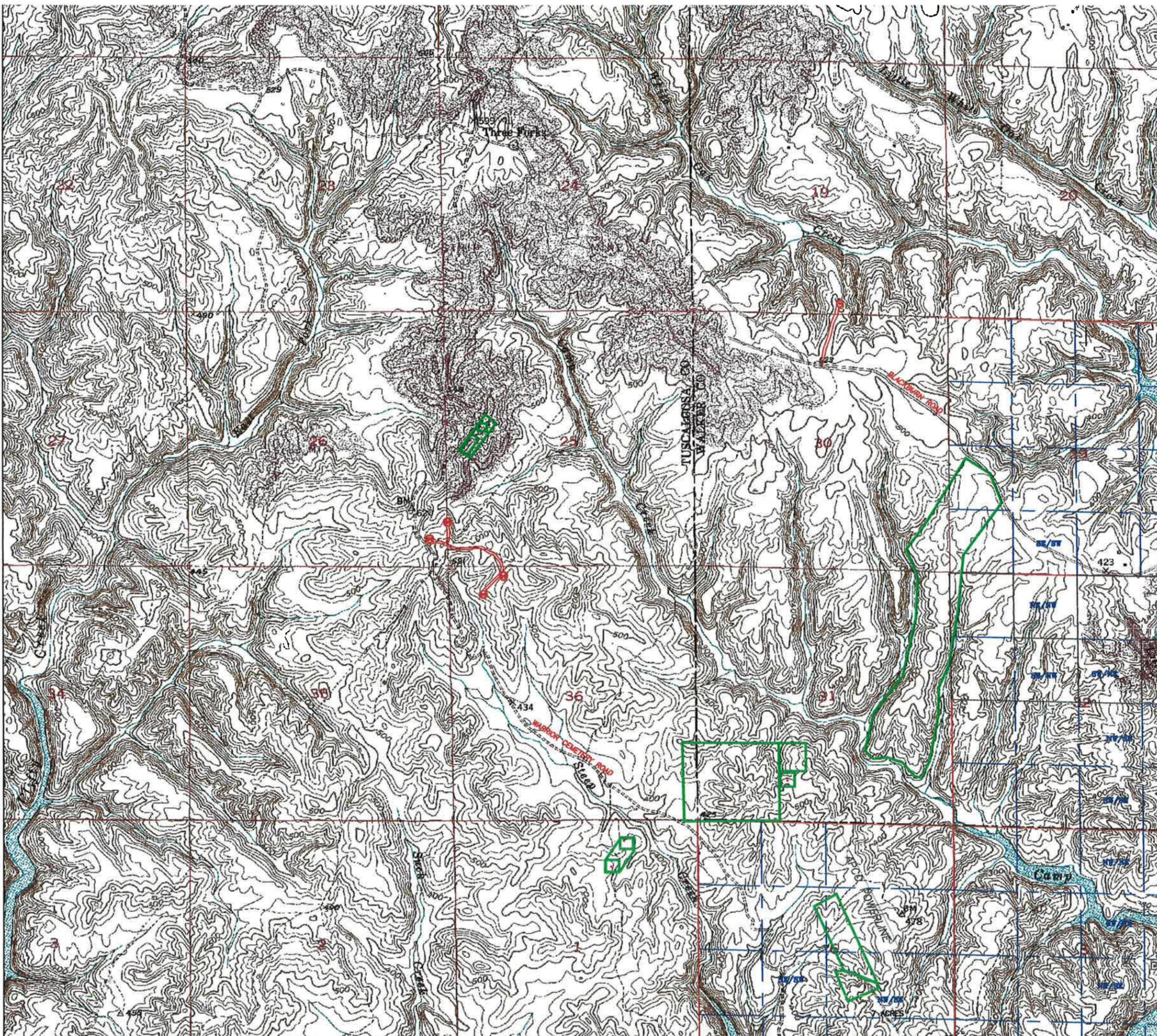
If you need any additional information in order to make comments concerning the proposed mine area, please give me a call at (205) 384-2300 at your earliest convenience. Your attention and consideration are appreciated.

Sincerely,



Dwight Hicks, Manager
Permitting and Regulatory Compliance

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Enclosures



LEGEND

-  PROJECT AREA
-  AREAS PREVIOUSLY COMMENTED ON, NO ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES FOUND.

 **DRUMMOND COMPANY, INC.**
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SHOAL CREEK MINE

PART OF SECTIONS 25, 26 & 36 TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 8 WEST
 PART OF SECTIONS 19 & 30 TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY

DRAWN: SEW	U.S.G.S. QUADS: TUTWILER SCHOOL & BURCHFIELD STORE
APPROVED: DRH	
SCALE: 1" = 2000'	
DATE: 8-11-11	



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August 31, 2011

Mr. Dwight Hicks
Drummond Company, Inc.
P.O. Box 1549
Jasper, Alabama 35502

RE: Permit Revision to ASMC for Shoal Creek Mine,
Tuscaloosa County

Dear Mr. Hicks:

Please reference your letter dated August 15, 2011 regarding the addition of 2 acres to the permit for the above-referenced underground mine. We have no comments on this permit revision in addition to those in the letters from Mr. Cherry dated March 19, 2008 or Mr. McHugh dated November 18, 2008.

Feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Matthew Marshall
Environmental Coordinator

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August 15, 2011

Mr. William J. Pearson, Field Supervisor
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
1208-B Main Street
Daphne, AL 36526

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Tuscaloosa County, AL

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