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# NOTICES

#### **NOTICE OF INTENTION TO** MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 861-0559, **RENEWAL 01**

accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Mountainside Coal Company, Inc., 5540 KY 1809, Barbourville, KY 40906, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting 159.91 surface acres and underlie an additional 107.86 acres located approximately five miles southeast of Woodbine, Kentucky in Knox County.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.3 mile southwest of Mosley Branch Road's junction with Little Indian Creek Road and 0.1 mile north and south of Mosley Branch. The proposed operation is located on the Rockholds U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map.

operation will use the contour, auger, and highwall methods surface mining. The surface area is owned by James D. Wells, Carolyn Engle, Valrie Masters, James H. and Freda Wells, Leonard Elliott, Jimmie Rose Garrett, Thomas R. Elliott, and William Terrell.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Middlesboro Regional Office, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, 1804 East Cumberland Avenue, Middlesboro, KY 40965-1229. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

#### **NOTICE OF** INTENTION TO MINE **PURSUANT TO APPLICATION RENEWAL#5**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Ferroglobe USA Mining, LIC West Cum-332

berland Gap Parkway, 100, Corbin, Kentucky 40701 has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 2.0 Goins in Knox County and Whitley counties. The total area within the permit boundary is 62.97 acres.

The operation is approximately 3.3 miles east from KY Hwy. 92's junction with Harpes Creek Road and located along Harpes Creek.

The operation is located on the Frakes, KY 71/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by Gatliff Coal Company, Arnold T. Goins, Antony Greene, Alton Wilson, Freda Barnett and Begley Properties LLC. The operation underlies land owned by Gatliff Coal Company, Arnold T. Goins, Alton Wilson, Begley Properties LLC, Bryant Mahan, Jim Lambdin, Henry & Doris Lee, Leonard & Louise Lee, Lisa Fuson Brock, Freda Barnett, Antony Green, Roy Mahan (Kathy Hauser), Joe Sire Mahan Heirs (Sandra Faye Sullivan), Ernest Shelton, Mark & Wanda Bennet, Boone

Forestlands, LLC and

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application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Reclamation Mining Enforcement's Middlesboro Regional Office, 1804 East Cumberland Avenue. Middlesboro, Kentucky 40965-1229. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Boulevaru, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF **INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION** NUMBER 861-8021, **TRANSFER** In accordance with

the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Mountainside Coal Co., Inc., 5540 Hwy 1809, Barbourville, KY 40906. intends to transfer permit number 861-5357 to Binderless Coal Briquetting Company Pty, Limited, Lobby 1, Level 2,, 76 Skyring Terrace, Newstead, AU 4006 . The new permit number will be 861-8021. The operation disturbs 48.7 surface acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.

The operation located approximately 3 miles south of the Bryants Store community in Knox County adjacent to KY Route 1809. The mine entrance is approximately 300 feet from the intersection of Davis Branch Road and KY Route 1809 and on the headwaters of Fourmile Branch. The operation is located on the Frakes - U.S.G.S. 71/2 minute quadrangle map.

The application has

been filed for public

inspection at the Department for Surface Reclamation Mining Enforcement's Middlesboro Regional Office, 1804 East Cumberland Middlesboro, KY 40965-1229. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 300 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

#### **NOTICE OF RLASTING SCHEDULE**

918-0504 Ferroglobe USA Mining, LLC, 332 W. Cumberland Parkway, Corbin, KY 40701, phone number (606)523-9760, gives notice that blasting operations will be conducted on its coal mine permit number 918-0504, covering Increments 8, 9, 10, 11, and 15. Latitude: 36° 49' 41", Longitude: 84° 02' 24"

The proposed operation is located approximately 5.25 miles east of Rockholds in Whitley & Knox County Kentucky, and is approximately 0.64 miles east of KY 1064 junction with Terrell Hollow Road.

Blasting operations are projected to continue February 2026 through February 2027. Blasting will be conducted between sunrise and sunset except in emergency situations. Emergency situations include. but are not limited to. lightning, the imminent threat of lightning, or other circumstances that require unscheduled detonation for the safety of the public or miners.

Any major alterations to the blasting schedule will be published. Unscheduled blasting may occur in emergency situations when rain, lightning or other atmospheric conditions or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. The nearby residents will be notified of the unscheduled blast by using audible

a regular blast. Entry to the blasting area will be regulated by signs or barriers. An authorized company representative

prohibit access to the blasting area by unauthorized sons at least five (5) minutes before each detonation and until the all clear signal is sounded. Warning signals will be made by using a siren in the following manner:

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shall then proceed as

pre-blast warning signal will be a one (1) minute series of long blasts five (5) minutes prior to the blast signal. The blast signal will be a series of short blasts one (1) minute prior to the detonation. The all clear signal will be a prolonged blast following the inspection of the blast

The operation will relocation public roads Mosley Hollow Spur, CR-1601, and Eaton Fork Road, CR-1246 while mining and blasting operations are active.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE PERMIT #861-0578**

Ferroglobe USA Mining LLC, 332 West Cumberland PKWY, Suite 100, Corbin, Kentucky 40701, Telephone Number: (606) 523-9760, shall conduct blasting operations on its surface mine permit for increments 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 and 10, located near the community of Permon, in Knox and Whitley Counties Kentucky.

proposed operation is approximately one and twotenths (1.2) miles north of the intersection of HWY 779 and HWY 1418.

This schedule shall be in effect from January 2026 to January 2027. Any major alter-

ations to the blasting

scheduled will be

published. Unscheduled blasting may occur in emergency situations when rain, lightning or other atmospheric ditions or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. nearby residents will be notified, of the unscheduled blast, by certified mail, regular mail or hand delivery and the blast shall then proceed as a regular blast. Entry to blasting area will be regulated by signs or barriers. An authorized company representative prohibit access to the blasting areas by unauthorized persons at least five (5) minutes before each detonation and until the all clear signal is sounded. WARNING SIGNAL: A one (1) minute series of long blasts five (5) minutes prior to the blast signal. BLAST SIGNAL: A series of short blasts one (1) minute prior to the detonation. ALL CLEAR SIGNAL: A prolonged blast following the inspec-

tion of the blast area. Events which could necessitate blasting at unscheduled times include, but are not limited to rain, lightning, or other atmospheric conditions, or deteriorated explosives which involve personnel, operational or public

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**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

Commonwealth of Kentucky Court of Justice 27th Judicial District Court

**Probate Division** Greg Helton, Clerk

**Knox County** 

In compliance with section 424.340 & section 424.120 Kentucky revised statutes, notice is hereby given that the following fiduciary appointments have been made by the court:

NAME OF WARD OR DECEDENT	NAME & ADDRESS OF FIDUCIARY	NAME & ADDRESS OF ATTY REPRESENTING FIDUCIARY	Date Appointed	Creditors must file by
25-P-325 LYANNA SHARON PARSONS 1134 HWY 3439 BARBOURVILLE, KY 40906	ANTHONY RAY PARSONS 65 PATTERSON LANE BARBOURVILLE, KY 40906	CHRISTOPHER J. MILLS PO BOX 568 BARBOURVILLE, KY 40906	11-18-2025	6 MONTHS
25-P-300 JACK LUTHER LAWSON JR. 147 BRADLEY MARTIN LANE BARBOURVILLE, KY 40906	AMY JOYCE LESTER 147 BRADLEY MARTIN LANE BARBOURVILLE, KY 40906	CHRISTOPHER MILLS PO BOX 568 BARBOURVILLE, KY 40906	10-28-2025	6 MONTHS

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Kentucky **Court of Justice** 27th Judicial District Court

**Knox County Probate Division** Greg Helton, Clerk

In compliance with Chapter 395 and Chapter 424, KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES, notice is hereby given that the following Settlements of Accounts have been filed in the office of the Clerk and exceptions to same, if any, must be filed before DECEMBER 22, 2025 on which date at 9:30 a.m. prevailing time a hearing will be held in the Knox County, Courtroom.

NAME & ADDRESS of DECEDENT or ward	NAME & ADDRESS OF FIDUCIARY	NAME & ADDRESS OF ATTY REPRE- SENTING FIDUCIARY		
23-P-00332 Hurley, Wilson 101 Friendship Drive Corbin, KY 40701	Bingham, Monty 140 Hickory Grove Rd. Gray, KY 40734	Samuel G. Davies PLLC 230 Knox Street Barbourville, KY 40906	FINAL	



# ALLISON BALL AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Mike Mitchell, Knox County Judge/Executive The Honorable Mike Corey, Knox County Clerk

Members of the Knox County Fiscal Court

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Excess Fees - Regulatory Basis of the County Clerk of

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting In our opinion, the accompanying financial statement presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and excess

Knox County, Kentucky, for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statement.

fees of the Knox County Clerk for the year ended December 31, 2024, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws as described in Note 1. Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted

Accounting Principles section of our report, the financial statement does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Knox County Clerk, as of December 31, 2024, or changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the

standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards (GAS), issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Program for County Fee Officials issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Knox County Clerk and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions. Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Knox County Clerk on the basis of the  $accounting\ practices\ prescribed\ or\ permitted\ by\ the\ laws\ of\ Kentucky\ to\ demonstrate\ compliance\ with\ the\ Commonwealth\ of\ Kentucky\ 's$ 

The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and

basis of accounting and budget laws, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statement

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial statement in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or

In preparing the financial statement, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Knox County Clerk's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and GAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statement. In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and GAS, we:

Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error, and design

and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement.

Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Knox County Clerk's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statement. Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt

about the Knox County Clerk's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time. We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of

the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we have identified during the audit.

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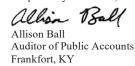
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Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated September 4, 2025, on our consideration of the Knox County Clerk's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Knox County Clerk's internal control over financial reporting and compliance. Respectfully submitted,



State law requires the Auditor of Public Accounts to annually audit fiscal courts, county clerks, and sheriffs; and print the results in a newspaper having general circulation in the county. The complete audit and any other audit of state agencies, fiscal courts, county clerks, sheriffs, and property valuation administrators may be viewed in the reports section of the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at <u>auditor.ky.gov</u> or upon request by calling 1-800-247-9126.

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The complete audit report, including financial statements and supplemental information, is on file at the clerks office and is available for public inspection during normal business hours; Any citizen may obtain from the Knox County Clerk a copy of the complete audit report, including financial statements and supplemental information, for his personal use; Citizens requesting a personal copy of the audit report will be charged for duplication costs at a rate that shall not exceed twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per page; Copies of the financial statement prepared in accordance with KRS 424.220 are available to the public at no cost at the Knox County Clerk's Office, 401 Court Square, Suite #2, Barbourville, Ky. 40906.

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