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Dear Legislator,

We would like to share information with you about the potential for converting existing coal mine methane emissions into electricity.

As enacted in SB13-252, state law now includes "coal mine methane" as an eligible energy resource under Colorado's Renewable Energy Standard.

There are existing coal mines in Colorado that are emitting large amounts of methane. One of the coal mines is already generating electricity using this method.

Attached is a summary of our "Commission Information Meeting" on this topic, which was conducted last month, as well as a link to an easy-to-view webcast.

Our staff is always available to provide more information or to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Joshua B. Epel
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