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Murray Energy Corporation Acquires Colombian Coal Mines

Murray Energy Corporation (“Murray Energy”) announced today that it has acquired Colombia Natural Resources, and related assets, in Colombia, South America.

This acquisition includes two (2) developed surface mining operations, the La Francia and the El Hatillo Mines, three (3) undeveloped mines, over 184 million tons of coal reserves, a coal port facility, partial ownership of a railroad line, eleven (11) locomotives, five hundred thirty (530) railcars, and certain other assets.

“As the United States coal industry continues to be under attack for elimination by the Obama Administration, we must look to international markets to ensure our survival,” stated Mr. Robert E. Murray, Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Murray Energy. “We are very excited about this new venture, which solidifies Murray Energy’s position as a premier coal producer and exporter in the international marketplace.”

“This is truly a transformative transaction for Murray Energy. Acquiring assets in Colombia will broaden our international presence in an attractive market and position ourselves to better serve our customers around the world” said Mr. Robert D. Moore, Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, and Chief Financial Officer of Murray Energy.

Murray Energy is the largest underground coal company in the United States, which provides over 7,000 jobs in six (6) states. Murray Energy ships coal to domestic customers in more than fifteen (15) states and to international customers throughout the world.

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