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STATEMENT FROM GOV. MANCHIN REGARDING HIS UPCOMING MEETING WITH EPA OFFICIALS

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. - Gov. Joe Manchin released this statement about his meeting tomorrow in Philadelphia with EPA officials regarding mining permit for Consolidated Coal Company:

“We will continue to pursue every chance we have to be upfront and to meet firsthand with the EPA officials who are making recommendations about mining in our state. With this meeting, we are seeking a clear and concise answer that will enable us to continue to provide the energy this nation needs and to create the good jobs West Virginians deserve.

“With this particular permit, it’s about more than just mining. It’s about post-mine land use and building opportunities for southern West Virginia with the King Coal Highway. I am attending the meeting tomorrow because we want a clear understanding of their intent, and we want to continue to build the base for this highway.”

-Gov. Joe Manchin

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