

ANTHRACITE CAPITAL INC  
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April 25, 2008

Anthracite Capital, Inc.  
40 East 52nd Street  
New York, NY 10022

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Securities and Exchange Commission

100 F Street, NE

Washington, DC 20549

Re:

Anthracite Capital, Inc.

Request for Withdrawal of Amendment No. 1 to the Registration  
Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-149915)

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 477 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Anthracite Capital, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the Company), hereby requests withdrawal of Amendment No. 1 (the Amendment) to its Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-149915) (the Registration Statement) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 23, 2008.

The Company is requesting that the Amendment be withdrawn because the Registration Statement was declared effective on April 16, 2008.

No securities have been offered or sold under the Amendment.

Very truly yours,

Anthracite Capital, Inc.

By: /s/ Richard M. Shea

Name: Richard M. Shea

Title: President and Chief Operating Officer