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NEWS RELEASE

Westmoreland Announces Departure of Head of Investor Relations

Englewood, CO – January 20, 2016 – Westmoreland Coal Company (NasdaqGM:WLB) today announced that Brian Blackman, Director of Investor Relations, has departed Westmoreland. We thank Brian for his contributions and wish him success in his new opportunity. On an interim basis, inquiries should be directed to (720) 354-4467 or ir@westmoreland.com. We will engage an interim IR resource while we search for a permanent replacement.

About Westmoreland Coal Company

Westmoreland Coal Company is the oldest independent coal company in the United States. Westmoreland's coal operations include sub-bituminous and lignite surface coal mining in the Western United States and Canada, an underground bituminous coal mine in Ohio, a char production facility, and a 50% interest in an activated carbon plant. Westmoreland also owns the general partner of and a majority interest in Westmoreland Resource Partners, LP, formerly Oxford Resource Partners, LP, a publicly-traded coal master limited partnership. Its power operations include ownership of the two-unit ROVA coal-fired power plant in North Carolina. For more information, visit www.westmoreland.com; provided that no information contained at such website is incorporated by reference here.

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