

April 19, 2002

Mr. Curtis L. Blohm  
Knife River Corporation  
1915 North Kavaney Drive  
Bismarck, ND 58501-1698

Dear Mr. Blohm:

This is to inform you that the field inspection of the Bond Release No. 4 to Permit KRGC-8101 has been scheduled for 10:00 a.m., MDT on May 23, 2002. We will meet at the former Gascoyne Mine office parking lot. You will be notified if there is a delay or cancellation.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

James R. Deutsch  
Director  
Reclamation Division

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Dakota Prairie Beef Cooperative  
RR #1, Box 52  
Scranton, ND 58653

Dear Sir:

Knife River Corporation has submitted an application for Bond Release No. 4 to Surface Coal Mining Permit KRGC-8101 at the Gascoyne Mine. Final bond release is being requested for 4 tracts totaling 274.2 acres. The first tract is located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26 and consists of a soil stockpile that will be utilized by Gascoyne Materials Handling for closure of their inert waste landfill. The second tract is located in portions of Sections 27, 28, 22 and 34 and consists of a cattle feedlot that is being operated by Dakota Prairie Beef Cooperative. The third tract is located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 34 and consists of a portion of the former mine shop/office facility that is currently being utilized by Wilson Construction, Inc. Final bond release is being requested on Tracts 1, 2, and 3 as commercial and industrial areas. The fourth tract is located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 35 and consists of a reclaimed hayland tract that was mined under North Dakota's 1969 reclamation law.

The Public Service Commission will inspect these bond release tracts at 10:00 a.m., MDT on May 23, 2002. As a landowner, you are invited to participate in this inspection. We will meet at the former Gascoyne Mine office parking lot. If you wish to participate in the inspection, please contact Dean Moos at 701-328-4099 so you can be notified if there is a delay or cancellation. Detailed descriptions of the bond release tracts will be provided at the time of the inspection.

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Gordon Wilson  
Wilson Construction, Inc.  
Box 133  
Scranton, ND 58653

Dear Mr. Wilson:

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Gascoyne Materials Handling & Recycling, LLC  
1712 Main Avenue, Suite #202  
Fargo, ND 58103

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Ms. Anne Grasseth  
4722 San Francisco Drive NE  
Salem, OR 97305

Dear Ms. Grasseth:

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Bowman County Commissioners  
Bowman County Courthouse  
Bowman, ND 58623

Dear Commissioners:

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Mr. Guy Padgett, Director  
OSM Casper Field Office  
Federal Building  
100 East B Street - Room 2128  
Casper, WY 82601-1918

Dear Mr. Padgett:

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