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April 29, 2008

Mr. Rodney P. Smith
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Williston, ND 58802-0548

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Reclamation Division has received the additional materials submitted by you on April 22, 2008 on behalf of Leonardite Products, LLC to transfer Surface Mining Permit No. GRGR-0501 from GeoResources, Inc. to Leonardite Products, LLC. The Reclamation Division has now deemed the permit transfer application complete. Staff will now begin a technical review of the application to ensure that all provisions of NDAC 69-05.2-11-06 have been met before the permit transfer is approved by the Commission.

The newspaper advertisement contained within the recently received materials has been reviewed and contains the necessary information. You may begin publication of the notice in the Williston Herald for four (4) consecutive weeks. Please forward a copy of the affidavit of publication following the last date of publication.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James R. Deutsch".

James R. Deutsch
Director
Reclamation Division

cc: Jeff Jennings, GeoResources