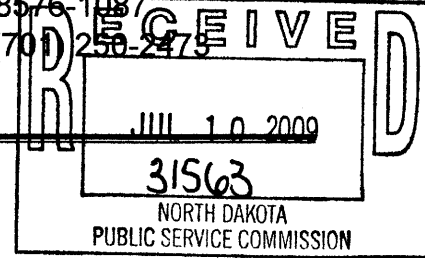


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July 8, 2009

Mr. James R. Deutsch
Director, Reclamation Division
ND Public Service Commission
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

FROM DIRECTOR - RECLAMATION DIV.

Date: _____

Action: _____

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Dear Mr. Deutsch:

Enclosed please find Check #00126589 in the Amount of \$2,500.00 as per your June 25, 2009 letter for the civil penalty assessment in Case No. RC-09-143, Notice of Violation No. 0901 issued to The Falkirk Mining Company.

If you have any further concerns, please e-mail me at joe.clarke@falkirk.com or phone me at 250-2463.

Sincerely,

THE FALKIRK MINING COMPANY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Clarke".

Joseph W. Clarke
Environmental Manager

JWC/dge
Enc.