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Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2009 2:18 PM
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Cc: Deutsch, James R.; Berg, Mike D.; Schroeder, Stephan A.; Beechie, Bruce E.
Subject: RE: Falkirk Mine-NAFK 8705-Pile Placement Request Section 5-145-82

Greg,

We have a few questions and concerns regarding your request as follows:

Portions of the proposed stockpile area (reclamation tracts W5A & W5B) located north of the new haulroad have previously received partial bond release (70% - 1980) and therefore, there can be no topsoil or subsoil re-disturbance of these areas. We would allow topsoil to be stockpiled (topsoil on topsoil) on the tracts that have received partial bond release; however, subsoil or OB could not be stockpiled on the partial bond release areas.

The above concern may make the following questions mute but we will ask them anyway.

The proposed stockpile area is not depicted on the Pit Layout map for Rev. 32. This proposed stockpile location should be depicted on the Pit Layout map with the next response.

The proposed stockpile location is quite large. Will this entire area be needed? If not, the only the actual area needed should be requested.

The north stockpile area (north of new haulroad) indicates that it will be for both SPGM and OB. We are uncertain why OB would need to be stockpiled. Will there be excess OB in the haulroad? If OB will be stockpiled, subsoil will need to be removed from the stockpile area.

What will the water management consist of? Will the stockpiles be within a controlled watershed with drainages stripped to nearby sediment ponds or will runoff be controlled by berms? Please provide the necessary details/

With regard to the relocation of stockpile 3 to 19, we don't have any concerns.

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Email to Falkirk with Questions and Concerns about Concerns about
the Request to Place Stockpiles on the Reclaimed Area
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Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2009 4:35 PM
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Dean,

As discussed in today's phone conversation here is the SPGM and OB storage area request boundary. The piles that will be stored in this area will be either from moving Topsoil Pile #3(future wash bay pond) <<PILE PLACEMENT REQUEST 5-145-82.pdf>> and/or the SPGM that will be in the new haul road corridor north of the mine office. If you have any questions please let me know.

Thank you,

Greg Obrigewitch

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