

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Coteau Properties Company
Revision No. 8, Permit NACT-0201
Approval

Case No. RC-10-71

NOTICE OF PERMIT REVISION APPROVAL

January 12, 2011

Preliminary Statement

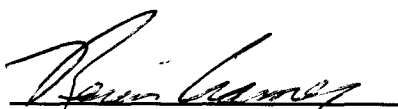
On March 22, 2010, the Coteau Properties Company applied for a permit revision to modify surface coal mining and reclamation operations approved under Permit No. NACT-0201 for the Freedom Mine near Beulah, North Dakota. This revision will allow Coteau Properties Company to extend mining onto most of the federal coal tracts located south of County Road 26 within the existing permit area, to modify the operations and reclamation plans for the additional mining, and to update other information and plans in this permit.

The Commission has completed its review of the application and approved the permit revision. The revision will give Coteau Properties Company the right to modify the mining and reclamation plans in Permit No. NACT-0201 as described by the revision application.

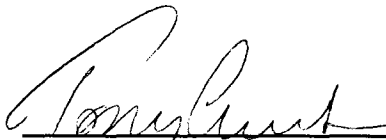
Notice

Any person with an interest which is or may be adversely affected by this revision approval may request a formal hearing with the Commission within thirty days of the publication of this notice. The request should be addressed to the Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480.

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