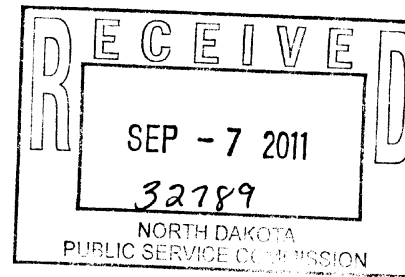


North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Mon. Sept. 5, 2011



RE: South Heart Coal LLC Surface Coal Mining Permit No. SHSH-1001

Dear Public Service Commissioners,

As your name indicates (PSC) you are to look out for all North Dakotans. I live in eastern North Dakota and could not attend the hearing in Dickinson pertaining to the Surface Permit At South Heart. I therefore ask you to have an informal hearing in Fargo so all North Dakotans can express their views on the South Heart Project.

I am very concerned the South Heart Project will have a negative effect on the Theodore Roosevelt National Park. Again, I ask you to have an informal hearing in Fargo to Give more North Dakotans a chance to comment on this project.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Al Coen".

Al Coen
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