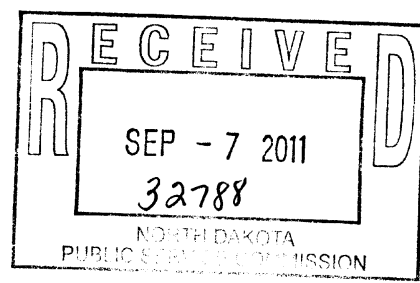


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To N.D. Public Service Commission

Dear Sirs,

In regard to Southheart Coal L.F.C  
Surface Coal Mine Permit No. SHSH 1001.

Because this issue affects the entire  
state of N.D., I am asking that you  
conduct a public hearing in Fargo,  
N.D. The reason for this is that  
residents of the eastern part of  
the state can express their  
views as well on this  
important issue.

Thank you

G. F. Jernberg