

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Coteau Properties Company
Revision No. 15, Permit NACT-0401
Renewal No. 1, Permit NACT-0401
Applications

Case No. RC-10-165
Case No. RC-10-166

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF RENEWAL AND REVISION APPLICATIONS

July 14, 2010

The Coteau Properties Company has filed applications to renew and revise Surface Coal Mining Permit No. NACT-0401 covering lands located in:

All or portions of Sections 4 and 9 of T145N, R87W, and Sections 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35, and 36 of T146N, R87W, of Mercer County, North Dakota, containing 6,070.27 acres.

The five-year permit renewal will allow Coteau to continue operations within the existing permit area until September 26, 2015. The revision application identifies the coal removal subarea that will be mined during the next five-year permit term. The revision also updates business entity and compliance information, identification of interests and rights of entry, surface water hydrology, operations, transportation facilities, surface water management, and vegetation assessment and success standards. In addition, the 2008-2009 Wildlife Monitoring Report was added to the Consolidated Wildlife and Habitat Monitoring Plan for the Freedom Mine.

The renewal and revision applications and surface coal mining and reclamation permit may be inspected at:

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

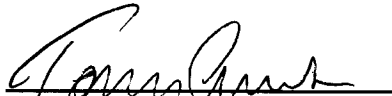
Mercer County Auditor
County Courthouse
PO Box 39
Stanton, North Dakota 58571

You may submit written comments or objections on the proposed permit renewal and its effects on the environment and on surface owners of the land in the permit area. You may request an informal conference with the Commission and the applicant on the renewal and revision applications. The reasons for requesting an informal conference must be stated in the request. Written comments, objections, or requests for an informal conference must be made by August 30, 2010.

If there is an informal conference, you may request a formal administrative hearing on the Commission ruling on the application. Your request for a formal hearing must be made within thirty days of the Commission ruling on the application.

Written comments, objections, or requests for informal conferences should be addressed to the Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Ave, Dept. 408, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480. For more information you may contact the Public Service Commission at 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY.

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**Mailing list for Notice of Revision No. 15 and Renewal No. 1 Applications for Permit
NACT-0401**

**Regular Mail to local (Mercer County), state and federal agency list for the Freedom Mine
and Advisory Committee Members - regular first class mail w/ mailing affidavit**

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