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December 15, 2010

Mr. Paul J. Sweeney
State Conservationist
Natural Resource Conservation Service
P.O. Box 1458
Bismarck, ND 58502

Dear Mr. Sweeney:

Enclosed is a compact disk containing an electronic copy of the application for Revision No. 20 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NAFK-9503 submitted by The Falkirk Mining Company. This revision adds approximately 16, 924 acres to the permit and updates all the appropriate portions of the permit to reflect the added acreage, including the operations and reclamation plans. The additional acreage contains prime farmland that will eventually be mined.

Please review the operations and reclamation plans pertaining to prime farmland and provide us with your comments and if satisfactory, concurrence on the prime farmland reclamation plans by February 1, 2011. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

If you have any questions, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

James R. Deutsch
Director
Reclamation Division

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Mr. Ed Murphy
Director and State Geologist
North Dakota Geological Survey
600 East Boulevard Ave
Bismarck, ND 58505-0840

Dear Mr. Murphy:

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Mr. Larry Kotchman
State Forester
N.D. Forest Service
Molberg Center
307 1st Street East
Bottineau, ND 58318-1100

Dear Mr. Kotchman:

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Mr. Merlan Paaverud
State Historical Society of ND
Heritage Center
Bismarck, ND 58505

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Mr. Todd Sando
State Engineer
North Dakota State Water Commission
900 East Boulevard
Bismarck, ND 58505

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Mr. Scott Hochhalter
State Soil Conservation Specialist
ND Soil Conservation Committee
2718 Gateway Ave., Unit #104
Bismarck, ND 58503

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Mr. Terry Steinwand, Director
North Dakota Game and Fish Department
100 North Bismarck Expressway
Bismarck, ND 58505

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Mr. David Glatt
North Dakota Health Department
Gold Seal Building
918 E Divide Ave
Bismarck, ND 58501

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