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January 4, 2011

Mr. Joe D. Friedlander
Environmental Manager
Coteau Properties Company
204 County Rd. 15
Beulah, ND 58523-9475

Dear Mr. Friedlander:

The Coteau Properties Company has adequately addressed the completeness deficiencies identified in the application for Renewal No. 4 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NACT-9001. The Reclamation Division deems the application to be complete and grants approval to publish the newspaper notice. Please note that the narrative in the newspaper notice still states that "*The owners of the surface **and coal** in the permit area are as follows:*" Please remove the reference to **coal** owners in the sentence prior to publication of the notice since coal ownership information has been omitted from the newspaper publication. As required by NDCC 38-14.1-18(1), please submit the affidavits of publication when complete.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James R. Deutsch".

James R. Deutsch
Director
Reclamation Division

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