

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Coteau Properties Company**  
**Renewal No. 4, Permit NACT-9001**  
**Approval**

**Case No. RC-10-651**

**RENEWAL OF PERMIT TO ENGAGE IN**  
**SURFACE COAL MINING AND RECLAMATION OPERATIONS**

**March 24, 2011**

Based on the renewal application received on December 13, 2010, Renewal No. 4 for Permit Number NACT-9001 is hereby granted to Coteau Properties Company to renew the surface coal mining permit subject to the requirements of Chapter 38-14.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, and the rules promulgated thereunder, on the following described areas:

**All or portions of the Freedom Mine in Sections 1, 2, 3, and 11, T145N, R88W and Sections 5, 6, 9, and 10, T145N, R87W, Mercer County containing 2,818.651 acres.**

This five-year permit renewal will allow Coteau Properties Company to continue to operate under approved mining and reclamation plans until **April 16, 2016**. Self and collateral bonds that total \$107,390,779 cover this and other permits at the Freedom Mine.

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



**Kevin Cramer**  
**Commissioner**



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