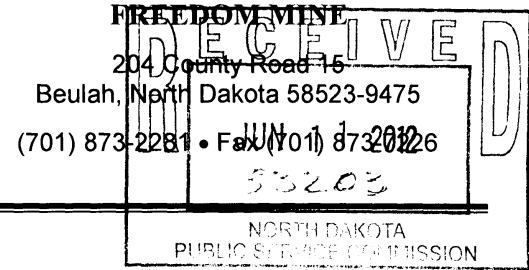


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June 8, 2012

Mr. James R. Deutsch
Director Reclamation Division
Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Department 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Mr. Deutsch:

Enclosed are three DVD's containing revised Final Bond Release #4 to Permit NACT-9101. Responses below refer to deficiencies in your March 13, 2012 letter.

1. See revised Attachment V.
2. See revised page 5 of Attachment VIIa, and revised page 4 of Attachment VIIIa.
3. See revised pages 1-16 of Attachment VIIIc-2.
4. See revised page 6 of Attachment VIIIa.
5. See revised page 6 of Attachment VIIIa, and revised pages 8 and 16 of Attachment VIIIc-2.
6. The native species component adds up to 60.6% along with the addition of 24.4% Kentucky bluegrass, for a total of 85.0%. No changes were made.
7. See revised page 8 of Attachment VIIIa, and revised pages 1-2 and 4-6 of Attachment VIIIc. A map encompassing the undisturbed area and all information used to calculate the undisturbed standard was added as new page 12 of Attachment VIIIc.
8. See revised pages 1, 2, and 4 of Attachment VIIIc.
9. See revised page 9 of Attachment VIIIc.
10. The values for 2007 and 2008 were off by a tenth of a bushel, but did not need to be changed based on other changes made to the unadjusted yield standard regarding deficiencies 7 and 8. No changes were made.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

THE COTEAU PROPERTIES COMPANY

Donn R. Steffen
Environmental Manager

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cc: Monte Erhardt, Mercer County Auditor