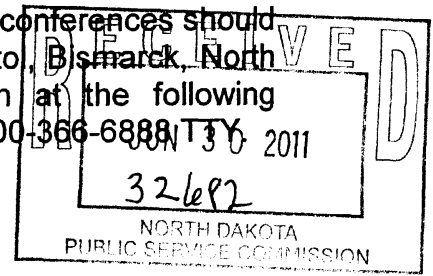


Written comments, objections, or requests for informal conferences should be addressed to the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480. You may contact the Commission at the following telephone number: 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888.



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ECOLOGICAL SERVICES**

NO ACTION. The Fish and Wildlife Service is unable to comment on this project due to funding or staff constraints. This does not constitute a report of the Department of the Interior in accordance with the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (16 U.S.C. 661 et. seq.).

6/29/11

Date

Jeffrey K. Towner
Field Supervisor

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Coteau Properties Company
Renewal No. 6, Permit NACT-8102
Application

Case No. RC-11-137

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF RENEWAL APPLICATION

June 22, 2011

The Coteau Properties Company has filed an application to renew Surface Coal Mining Permit No. NACT-8102 covering lands located in:

Portions of Sections 18 and 19, T145N, R87W, and portions of Sections 12, 13, and 24, T145N, R88W, Mercer County, totaling 1,352.74 acres.

This five-year permit renewal will allow the company to continue to operate under approved operation and reclamation plans until August 31, 2016. All coal has been removed from within the permit area, but some areas of the permit are currently being used to support mining activities in other permits. The renewal application and surface coal mining and reclamation permit may be inspected at:

Public Service Commission
State Capitol
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Mercer County Auditor
County Courthouse
Stanton, ND 58571

You may submit written comments or objections on the proposed permit renewal application 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 application. The reasons for requesting an informal conference must be stated in the request. Written comments, objections, or requests for informal conference must be made by August 1, 2011.

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.