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July 13, 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 #5 to Permit NACT-9101. Responses below refer to deficiencies in your July 10, 2012 letter.

1. An easement is currently in the process of being obtained. As soon as the easement is in place, Coteau will provide a copy.
2. See revised page 1 of Attachement VIIIc, and revised page 1 of Attachment VIIIc-2, and revised page 4 of Attachment VIIIa.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

THE COTEAU PROPERTIES COMPANY

Donn R. Steffen
Environmental Manager

DRS:lr
Enc.
cc: Monte Erhardt, Mercer County Auditor

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Partial response to the fourth technical deficiency letter received from the applicant
Coteau Properties Company
D. Steffen