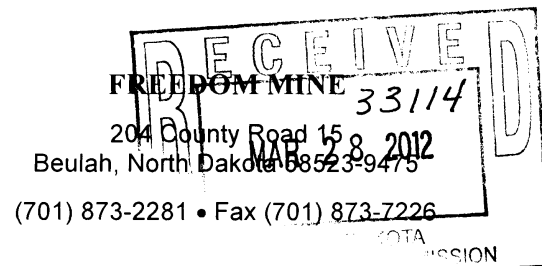


# THE COTEAU PROPERTIES COMPANY

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March 28, 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 #1 to Permit NACT-9501. The response below refers to the deficiency in your March 13, 2012 letter.

1. See revised page 4 of Attachment VIIIb.

Coteau's CVSS update, Revision 13 to Permit NACT-0401, is being worked on at this time, and will be submitted soon. All of this information has been included in this bond release package. Since the information can be reviewed in this bond release package, it is not necessary to wait for Revision 13 for approval.

Sincerely,

THE COTEAU PROPERTIES COMPANY

Donn R. Steffen  
Environmental Manager

DRS:lr  
Enc.

cc: Monte Erhardt, Mercer County Auditor (w/enc.)