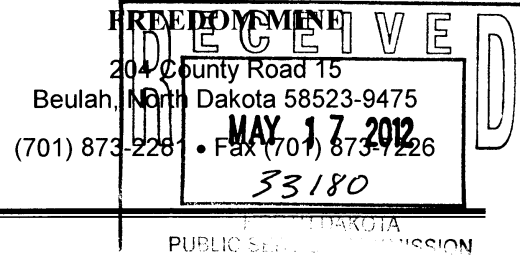


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May 16, 2012

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 revised materials for Revision 30 to Permit NACT-9101. Responses below refer to deficiencies in your April 26, 2012 letter:

1. See the revised Pit Layout and Facilities Map of Section 3.1.6, and the revised Surface Water Management Plan Map of Section 3.6.2.
2. See the revised Post-Mining Area Slope Map of Section 4.2.6, the revised Post-Mining Topography Development Map of Section 4.2.9, and revised pages 1-2 of Section 4.2.8 (new slope acres).
3. See revised page 8 of Section 4.2.1a.
4. See revised page 1 of Section 4.2.8.

In addition, pages 89-90 of Section 1.1.2 were updated to include the sedimentation pond design sections.

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 (w/enc.)