



September 4, 2013

Mr. James Deutsch  
Reclamation Division  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue  
Bismarck, ND 58505

RE: Permit NACC-1301

Dear Mr. Deutsch:

We have reviewed Coyote Creek Mining Company LLC's application for Surface Coal Mining Permit NACC-1301 at the Coyote Creek Mine. The application is for an area used for the shop/office facilities complex for the proposed Coyote Creek Mine located in portions of Sections 30 and 31 of T143N, R83W, Mercer County, North Dakota.

Upon review, the department submits the following comments:

- Section 3.2.1 – Transportation Facilities Narrative seemed to contain information related to surface coal mining permit NACT-8503
- Section 3.3.1 – Surface Water Management Plan should describe pond dewatering procedures when high pH levels are encountered, such as chemical adjustment.
- Section 3.3.1 – Surface Water Management Plan should include information regarding the type of waste that will be sent to the waste water stabilization pond.
- Section 3.3.7 – Design of Impoundment P30-01 (paragraph 2) should refer to the receiving water as the Knife River via Coyote Creek.

If you have any questions, please contact the department.

Sincerely,

Dallas Grossman  
Environmental Engineer  
Division of Water Quality

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Comments received from the North Dakota Department of Health  
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