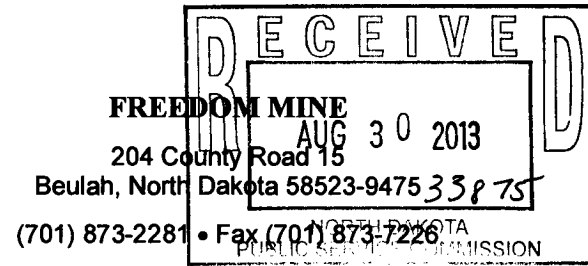


THE COTEAU PROPERTIES COMPANY

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August 29, 2013

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 sets of materials for Revision 40 to Permit NACT-9501. This revision deletes 39.98 acres of undisturbed acreage from the permit in Section 34, T146N, R88W, because it is no longer needed for mining activities. Also enclosed is the original application form.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

THE COTEAU PROPERTIES COMPANY

Troy J. Leingang
Environmental Manager

TJL:lr
Enc.

cc: Shana Brost, Mercer County Auditor (w/enc.)