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Beulah, ND 58523

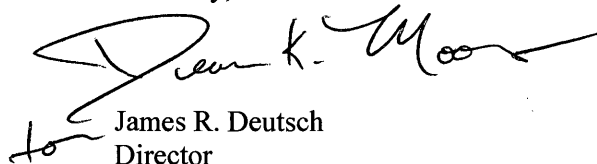
Dear Mr. Steffen:

The Reclamation Division has deemed Coyote Creek Mining Company, LLC's application for Surface Coal Mining Permit No. NACC-1302 to be complete. You may begin publishing the newspaper notices as required by NDCC 38-14.1-18. Following publication of the notice, please submit the affidavits of publication to this office.

We will now begin our technical review of the permit application. Also, please send 3 additional DVD's for our review in addition to the 12 sent for advisory committee members and federal agencies review. Please ensure that a copy of the permit application DVD is available for viewing at the Mercer County Auditor's office by the date of the first publication of the newspaper notices.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,



James R. Deutsch
Director
Reclamation Division

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