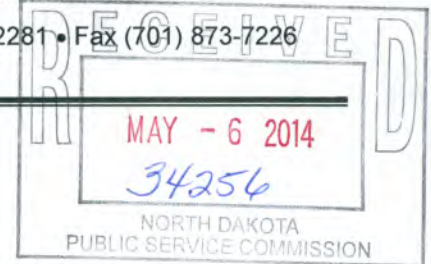


**THE COTEAU**  
**PROPERTIES COMPANY**  
A SUBSIDIARY OF THE NORTH AMERICAN COAL CORPORATION

**FREEDOM MINE**

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May 5, 2014

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 #3 to Permit NACT-8503. Responses below refer to deficiencies in your March 6, 2014 letter:

1. See revised page 1 of the application form.
2. See revised page 1 of Attachment III.
3. See revised page 1 of Attachment III.
4. See revised page 2 of Attachment III.
5. See revised page 1 of Attachment IVa, revised Attachment VI, and revised page 1 of Attachment VIIa.
6. See revised page 2 and new page 3 of Attachment IVa.
7. See new page 4 of Attachment IVa.
8. See revised page 2 and new page 3 of Attachment IVb.
9. See revised page 2 of Attachment IVb.
10. See new page 4 of Attachment IVb.
11. See revised page 1 of Attachment VIIa.
12. See revised page 1 of Attachment VIIa.
13. See revised page 1 of Attachment VIIa.
14. See revised pages 1-2 of Attachment VIIa.
15. All additional information was added to Attachment VI, with the exception of the landfill cell boundary. The landfill cell boundary is encompassed by the chain link fence area, which was used to determine the bond release boundary.

Mr. James R. Deutsch  
May 5, 2014  
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We look forward to the completion of your on-site inspection when appropriate site conditions allow. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Unruh or me.

Sincerely,

THE COTEAU PROPERTIES COMPANY



Troy J. Leingang  
Environmental Manager

LDR  
Enc.

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



# APPLICATION FOR FINAL RELEASE OF BOND FOR SURFACE COAL MINING AND RECLAMATION OPERATIONS

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
RECLAMATION DIVISION  
SFN 19813 (1-2004)

Date  
February 14, 2014

Name of Permittee The Coteau Properties Company	Bond Release Number Final Bond Release #3	Permit Number NACT-8503	
Post Office Address 204 County Road 15	City Beulah	State ND	Zip Code 58523

Pursuant to the provisions of NDCC 38-14.1-17, the above named Permittee hereby makes Application for Final Release of Bond for Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Operations for the above Bond Release Number and Permit Number.

Final release of bond is requested for the tracts clearly delineated on the attached map, **Attachment I**, which are particularly described by the attached metes and bounds descriptions, **Attachment II**, and as follows:

TRACT NUMBER	ACRES	LOCATION				COUNTY
		SEC.	TWP.	RANGE		
FBR 8503-145-88-24-1	11.182	24	145N	88W	Mercer	
<b>TOTAL ACRES</b>	11.182					

Final release of bond for the completion of all reclamation requirements set forth by NDCC Chapter 38-14.1 and NDAC Article 69-06.2 in the amount of \$ -0- for the above-described tracts is requested for the following reasons (identify each tract number and provide separate reasons and the amount for each tract):

All associated disturbance activities have been completed, and the owner of the tract, Dakota Gasification Company, is utilizing the bond release area as a parking lot and other industrial uses.