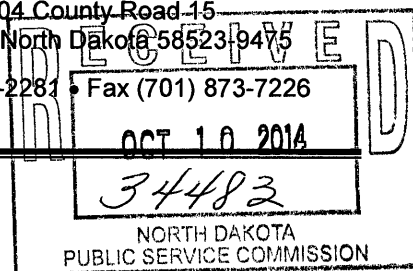


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October 10, 2014

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 Revision 18 to Permit NACT-0201. Responses below refer to deficiencies in your September 23, 2014 letter:

1. See revised page 48 of Section 1.1.1 and revised page 19 of Section 1.1.2.
2. See revised page 1 of Section 1.2.5.10.
3. No changes are necessary to the map in Section 1.2.7.1, as the map already shows operations within the road right-of-way between Sections 11 and 14, T145N, R88W. Pages 136-137 of Section 1.2.5.10 were updated to reflect all of the proposed right-of-way changes for the permit term.
4. See the revised Pit Layout and Facilities Map of Section 3.1.3 and the revised Surface Water Management Plan Map of Section 3.3.2.
5. As discussed during a phone conversation on October 10 with Reclamation Division staff, a large portion of deficiencies 5-7 will be addressed during technical review. To address the larger concern, a more detailed explanation of land use and topography changes was included on page 3 of Section 3.1.8.
6. Same as #5.
7. Same as #5.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

THE COTEAU PROPERTIES COMPANY

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Troy Leingang". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Troy J. Leingang  
Environmental Manager

LDR  
Enc.

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