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June 9, 2015

Jay M. Volk, Ph. D  
Environmental Manager  
BNI Coal, Ltd.  
2360 35th Avenue SW  
Center, North Dakota 58530

Dear Dr. Volk:

As you know, we gave BNI the approval last week to send out notice and start publishing the newspaper notices for the application for Bond Release No. 8 to Permit BNCR-8106 at the Center Mine. The application requests final bond release for 58.23 acres of land located in the SE1/4 of Section 35, T142N, R84, in Oliver County. The post mine land uses approved in the reclamation plan are tame pasture and right of way that includes a portion of reclaimed County Road 37th Ave SW. A small portion along the southern boundary of the tract was not disturbed by mining. The bond release inspection for this tract has been scheduled for **10:00 a.m., CDT on Wednesday, June 24, 2015**. We will meet at the BNI Coal, Ltd., Center Mine office.

In case of inclement weather conditions, an alternate date will be scheduled. If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

James R. Deutsch  
Director  
Reclamation Division

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Larry & Mary Dresser Life Estate  
PO Box 334  
Center, ND 58530

Dear Mrs. Dresser:

The Reclamation Division has received an application from BNI Coal, Ltd. for Bond Release No. 8 to Permit BNCR-8106 at the Center Mine. The application requests final bond release for 58.23 acres of land located in the SE1/4 of Section 35, T142N, R84W, in Oliver County. The approved post mine land uses for the tract are tame pasture and right of way that includes a portion of reclaimed County Road 37th Ave SW. A small portion along the southern boundary of the tract was not disturbed by mining.

As the surface owner of the property included in Bond Release No. 8 to Permit BNCR-8106, you and/or your representative(s) are invited to participate in the bond release inspection. We will meet at the BNI Coal, Ltd., Center Mine office at **10:00 a.m., CDT on Wednesday, June 24, 2015.**

Contact Zanna Brinkman at 701-328-3403 if you are planning to attend so that you can be contacted in case of cancellation or delay due to weather conditions. If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Brian Dresser  
2574 37<sup>th</sup> Ave SW  
Center, ND 58530

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Sincerely,

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James R. Deutsch  
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Oliver County Commissioners  
Oliver County Courthouse  
PO Box 188  
Center, ND 58530

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Mr. David Pfliiger  
District Conservationist  
Oliver County Soil Conservation District  
Box 87  
Center, ND 58530-0087

Dear Mr. Pfliiger:

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Mr. Kyle Miller  
Oliver County Highway Superintendent  
P O Box 188  
Center, ND 58530-0188

Dear Mr. Miller:

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Mr. Jeffrey Fleischman, Chief  
Denver Field Division  
Office of Surface Mining  
PO Box 11018  
150 East B Street  
Casper, WY 82602-5004

Dear Mr. Fleischman:

The Reclamation Division has received the application from BNI Coal, Ltd. for Bond Release No. 8 to Permit BNCR-8106 at the Center Mine. The application requests final bond release for 58.23 acres of land located in the SE1/4 of Section 35, T142N, R84W, in Oliver County. The post mine land uses approved in the reclamation plan are tame pasture and right of way that includes a portion of reclaimed County Road 37th Ave SW. A small portion along the southern boundary of the tract was not disturbed by mining. This tract does not contain federal coal. The bond release inspection for this tract has been scheduled for **10:00 a.m., CDT on Wednesday, June 24, 2015**. We will meet at the BNI Coal, Ltd., Center Mine office.

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James R. Deutsch  
Director  
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