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Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco  
General Counsel  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

Thank you for your July 31, 2015, request of the designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct a hearing in the matter of Coyote Creek Mining Company, LLC / RC-15-495. I hereby designate myself, Wade C. Mann, to be assigned as administrative law judge to conduct the hearing in regard to this matter. Because the administrative law judge will not be making recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, or issuing a recommended order, the person or persons who will be making the final administrative decision in regard to this matter (*i.e.*, the commission) must be in attendance at the hearing.

Please send all additional relevant documents (correspondence, and other pleadings and documents) to the designated administrative law judge in care of the Office of Administrative Hearings, 2911 North 14th Street- Suite 303, Bismarck, ND 58503. I understand the hearing is scheduled for August 27, 2015, beginning at 8:30 a.m., in the PSC Hearing Room at the State Capitol.

**Your request has been assigned OAH File No. 20150376. Please include this number on all future documents and correspondence filed for this matter with the Office of Administrative Hearings.**

Sincerely,

Wade C. Mann  
Director

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cc: Brian Bjella, Crowley Fleck