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November 10, 2015

Mr. Troy Leingang
Environmental Manager
Coteau Properties Company
204 County Rd. 15
Beulah, ND 58523

Dear Mr. Leingang:

The Reclamation Division has scheduled a field inspection for final Bond Release Application No. 4 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NACT-8503 at the Freedom Mine. We will meet at the Coteau Properties Company's mine office at 10:30 a.m., CST on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 and then proceed to the proposed bond release tract. The bond release tract is owned by The Coteau Properties Company and is being used by the Dakota Gasification Company (DGC) Great Plains Synfuels Plant for a Urea Plant expansion project. This tract is zoned industrial land and is located in the W1/2NW1/4 of Section 30, T145N, R87W. The bond release tract contains 27.5 acres of land, of which approximately 9.0 acres were affected by mining related activities.

Please send us an AutoCAD drawing showing the boundaries of the proposed bond release area a few days prior to the inspection, or plan on having the boundaries of this tract identified in the field.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

James R. Deutsch
Director
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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:

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You and/or your representative are welcome to participate in this inspection. We will meet at the Coteau Properties Company's mine office located north of Beulah at **10:30 a.m., CST on Tuesday, November 17, 2015** and then proceed to the tract. Please contact Guy Welch at 701-328-2298 or gwelch@nd.gov if you plan on attending so that you can be contacted in case of postponement or delay.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James R. Deutsch".

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Mercer County Commissioners
Mercer County Courthouse
PO Box 39
Stanton, ND 58571

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Mr. David Glatt, Chief
Environmental Health Section
North Dakota Health Department
918 East Divide Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505-1947

Dear Mr. Glatt:

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