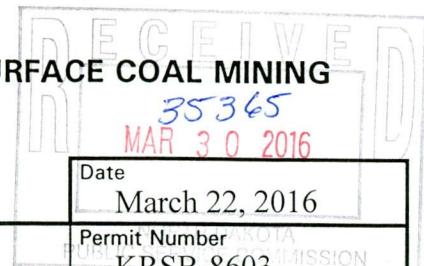




**APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF PERMIT TO ENGAGE IN SURFACE COAL MINING AND RECLAMATION OPERATIONS**

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
RECLAMATION DIVISION  
SFN 10566 (Rev. 12-99)



Name of Permittee Dakota Westmoreland Corporation		Date March 22, 2016	
Address PO Box 39		City Beulah	Permit Number KRSB-8603
		State ND	Zip Code 58523

The above named hereby makes application for Renewal Number 6 of the above Permit Number in order to continue to engage in surface coal mining and reclamation operations within the area described below in the permit during the period from August 7, 2016 to August 7, 2021.

The reasons for requesting the renewal is attached and any changes to the matters set forth in the approved Permit are particularly described in the accompanying revision application.

The applicable public notice provisions of Section 38-14.1-18 of the North Dakota Century Code have been complied with. A copy of the advertisement is attached and affidavits of publications will be furnished to the Commission prior to issuance of the Permit Renewal.

Bond for surface coal mining and reclamation operations and liability insurance will be provided for the proposed period of renewal. Attached is a statement evidencing that the bond is sufficient and will continue in full force for the renewal period and that liability insurance will be provided for the renewal period.

LOCATION				ACRES
SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	COUNTY	
14,15,16,17,18, 19,20,21,22,23	143N	88W	Mercer	
<b>TOTAL ACRES</b>				<b>3,558.3</b>

Signature of Official <i>Jody Mann</i>	Title President
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**VERIFICATION**

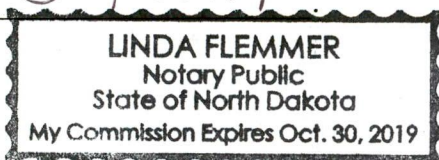
Name of Official Jody Mann, President
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I, the above named, being first and duly sworn, verify that the information contained in the Permit Renewal Application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Official <i>Jody Mann</i>	Title President
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23 day of March, 2016. My commission expires: Oct 30, 2019

(SEAL)



*Linda Flemmer*  
Notary Public

# DAKOTA WESTMORELAND CORPORATION

Mine: Beulah Mine  
Permit Number: KR5B-8603  
Renewal No.: 6  
Submittal Date: March 22, 2016

## **Renewal Request Narrative**

Renewal No. 6 will allow for the continuation of ongoing mining and reclamation activities within the permit area during the five-year period commencing August 7, 2016.

## **Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Bond Narrative**

A surety bond in the amount of \$8,168,895.00 covers this permit area at the Beulah Mine. Dakota Westmoreland Corporation filed Surety Bond No. 64S103557512BCM, issued by the Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America in this amount to cover reclamation costs in this permit area. This bond amount is sufficient to perform the required work for the worst-case reclamation condition in the permit area. This bond will be maintained during the ensuing five-year renewal term.

## **Liability Insurance Narrative**

A Certificate of Liability Insurance has been provided to the Public Service Commission for the Beulah Mine and will be maintained during the ensuing five-year renewal term.