

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Reclamation Division

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Memorandum

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Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary  
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DATE: February 7, 2018

SUBJECT: Application for Revision No. 43 to Permit NACT-9501 held by the Coteau Properties Company, Case No. RC-17-489

November 17, 2017 Coteau Properties Company filed Revision No. 43 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NACT-9501 to delete 639.1571 acres of land from the permit that have not been affected by surface coal mining and reclamation operations. This land is being deleted from the permit because coal removal has been completed in this permit area and the area proposed to be deleted as undisturbed is not needed during the reclamation phase.

The 639.1571 acres proposed for deletion are described by metes and bounds in the approval form and can generally be described as the E1/2 of Section 23, the SW1/4 of Section 24 and the NW1/4 of Section 27 in T146N, R88W, in Mercer County. The deletion areas are depicted on the 2017 aerial photography in Figure 1. All of the tracts being deleted from the permit are privately owned.

Reclamation Division staff inspected the acreage proposed for deletion on November 29, 2017 to verify the acreage has not been disturbed by mining or reclamation related activities.

Revision No. 43 was deemed an insignificant revision but requires Commission approval because of the acreage deletion. No monetary bond adjustment is necessary as a result of this revision but Coteau may submit bond riders to remove the deleted acreage from the bond area.

Attached for your consideration is the proposed motion for the February 14<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting and the revision approval form.

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Figure 1: Revision 43 to NACT-9501 deletion area

