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Ms. Sarah Flath
Environmental Manager
Coteau Properties Company
204 County Rd. 15
Beulah, ND 58523

Dear Ms. Flath:

The Reclamation Division has reviewed Coteau's July 22, 2020 response to our initial review of Final Bond Release No. 1 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NACT-9001. The Coteau Properties Company can publish the newspaper notice and mail the surface ownership and governmental agency letters. Once the letters are mailed and publication of the public notice has begun, we will schedule a field inspection of the bond release tracts as required by NDCC 38-14.1-17(3). The Reclamation Division believes an inspection of the bond release can be conducted while maintaining social distancing protocols.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Dean K. Moos
Director
Reclamation Division

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