

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**Reclamation Division**  
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**Memorandum**

**To:** Commissioners Fedorchak, Christmann and Kroshus  
Steve Kahl, Executive Director  
John Schuh, General Counsel

**From:** *DKM* Dean Moos, *ZMB* Zanna Brinkman and *BR* Preston Ripplinger

**Date:** April 1, 2021

**Subject:** Application for Renewal No. 7 to Permit No. NAFK-8405 held by The Falkirk Mining Company, Case No. RC-20-393

On September 8, 2020, The Falkirk Mining Company (Falkirk) filed the application for Renewal No. 7 to Permit NAFK-8405 to continue mining and reclamation operations in all or portions of Sections 3, T145N, R82W; Sections 6, 7, and 18, T146N, R81W; and Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 34, and 35, T146N, R82W, McLean County, totaling 10,169.5 acres. The Reclamation Division has completed its review of this five-year permit renewal and respectfully recommends that it be approved.

Falkirk Mining has applied for this renewal because mining and reclamation operations will continue in this permit area for many years. Mining and reclamation plans and other information were updated for the next permit term with Revision No. 41.

Falkirk has submitted the affidavits of publication of the newspaper notices. We notified the appropriate agencies, affected landowners, and the advisory committee members. We received no objections to this renewal application.

Evidence of adequate performance bond and liability insurance are currently on file. A combination of surety, self and collateral bonds totaling \$99,450,000 cover this and other permits at the Falkirk Mine that are part of a consolidated bond area.

Attached for your consideration at the April 1, 2021 commission meeting are the proposed motion and renewal approval form. Also attached is a map of the permit area.

**Attachments**

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# NAFK-8405 Permit Area Map

