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Karene Hall
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Dear Ms. Hall:

The Reclamation Division has completed its review of the worst-case reclamation cost calculation submitted by BNI Coal, Ltd as part of Revision 8 to Permit BNCR-1101. The minimum bond amount of \$41,733,818 proposed with Revision No. 8 is determined to be sufficient for Permit BNCR-1101 at the Center Mine.

Surety Bond No. 800006493, underwritten by Atlantic Specialty Insurance Company, totals \$42,449,183 which exceeds the minimum bond amount required for the bond area and is therefore considered adequate. No further action concerning the bond is necessary with Revision No. 8 to Permit BNCR-1101.

Please contact this office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Zanna Brinkman
Director
Reclamation Division

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