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Dear Mr. Berg:

The Reclamation Division has reviewed Coteau's November 6, 2024 response to our October 8, 2024 technical review of Revision No. 29 to Permit NACT-0201. The following items must be adequately addressed prior to our office recommending Commission approval.

Section 4.1.2 - Post-Mining Topography and Land Use Map

1. Follow-up to Item No. 4 of our October 8, 2024 technical review letter: Undisturbed native shrub and tree communities in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 5 and the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 4 in Mine Area 1 are being mistakenly depicted as replacement woodlands W-W05-02 and W-W04-01, respectively, in Section 4.1.2 (Post-Mining Topography and Land Use Map). Please retain the brown line type that identifies the undisturbed native shrub and tree communities in these areas and properly depict replacement woodlands W-W05-02 and W-W04-01 in areas disturbed by mining. (GAW)

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

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