

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**BNI Coal, Ltd.**  
**Revision 19, Permit BNCR-9401**  
**Application**

**Case No. RC-25-80**

**NOTICE OF PERMIT REVISION APPROVAL**

**July 16, 2025**

**Preliminary Statement**

On February 26, 2025, the Commission received BNI Coal, Ltd.'s application for Revision 19 to Surface Coal Mining Permit BNCR-9401 to identify the coal removal areas for the next five-year permit term and update the legal and financial section, extended mine plan, environmental resources, and operations plans. Specific updates include coal removal and waste disposal cells, pit layout and facilities map, equipment list, blasting plan, surface water management, water monitoring and drill hole reclamation, post mining land use, fish and wildlife resource protection and enhancement/monitoring plan, and the worst-case bond estimate. Renewal 6 allows BNI Coal, Ltd. to conduct mining and reclamation operations within the permit for another five-year permit term ending on August 16, 2030.


The Commission has completed its review of the application and approved the permit revision. The revision will give BNI Coal, Ltd. the right to modify the mining and reclamation plans in Permit BNCR-9401 as described in Revision 19.

**Notice**

Any person with an interest which is or may be adversely affected by this revision approval may request a formal hearing with the Commission within thirty days of the publication of this notice. The request should be addressed to the Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480. You may contact the Commission at the following telephone numbers: 701-328-2400 or Relay North Dakota TTY: 1-800-366-6888.

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