



# Public Service Commission

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Greg Petrick  
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Dear Mr. Petrick:

The Reclamation Division has completed its review of the worst-case reclamation cost calculation submitted by BNI Coal, Ltd as part of Revision No. 45 to Permit BNCR-9702 for the Center Mine. The minimum bond amount of \$45,269,107 proposed with Revision No. 45 is determined to be sufficient for Permits BNCR-9702, BNCR-8106, BNCR-8602, and BNCR-8202, which make up the consolidated bond area at the Center Mine.

Surety Bond Number 800043883, underwritten by Atlantic Specialty Insurance Company, currently covers the bond area in the amount of \$49,472,113. Surety Bond Number 800043883 exceeds the minimum bond amount required for the consolidated bond area and is therefore considered adequate. No further action concerning the bond is necessary with Revision No. 45 to Permit BNCR-9702.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jonathan Emmer".

Jonathan Emmer  
Director  
Reclamation Division

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