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October 16, 2025

Mr. Jason Frye
Environmental Specialist
Falkirk Mining Company
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Dear Mr. Frye:

The Reclamation Division has scheduled a field inspection of final Bond Release Application No. 7 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NAFK-9601 at the Falkirk Mine. We will meet at your office at **9:30 a.m. CST, Thursday, November 6th, 2025**. The McLean County Commissioners, the Wetland Advisory Committee, and the McLean County NRCS District Conservationist have been invited to participate.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Emmer".

Jonathan Emmer
Director
Reclamation Division

cc via email only: Steve Burke (steve.burke@nacoal.com)

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Mr. Jeffrey Fleischman, Chief
Denver Field Division
Office of Surface Mining
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jfleischman@osmre.gov

Dear Mr. Fleischman:

The Reclamation Division has scheduled a field inspection of final Bond Release Application No. 7 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NAFK-9601 at the Falkirk Mine. You and/or your representative are invited to participate in this inspection. We will meet at the Falkirk Mine office parking lot at **9:30 a.m. CST, Thursday, November 6th, 2025.**

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Please contact Warren Swenson at 701-328-9033 or swensonwarren@nd.gov if you plan to attend so that you can be contacted in case of postponement or delay due to inclement weather.

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cc via email only: John Sieving (jsieving@osmre.gov)

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McLean County Commissioners
McLean County Courthouse
PO Box 1108
Washburn, ND 58577-1108

Dear Commissioners:

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Mr. David D. Hendrickson
Turtle Lake Service Center
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Turtle Lake, ND 58575
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Dear Mr. Hendrickson:

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Mr. Luke Toso
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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
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Dear Mr. Toso:

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cc via email only w/o enclosure: Jerry Reinisch (jerry_reinisch@fws.org)

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Mr. Curtis Bradbury
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Dear Mr. Bradbury:

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Mr. David Glatt
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North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality
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Mr. Jeb Williams
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