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**Notice of Deadline for Implementation  
of New KPDES Permit Requirements**

To Whom It May Concern:

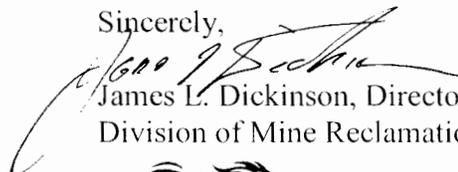
This notice is to remind all Permittees, Operators, and Consultants that **effective August 1, 2010, all effluent limitations and reporting requirements of the new KPDES general coal permit will become effective and enforceable.**

In August 2009, a new KPDES Coal General Permit was issued by the Division of Water (DOW) which added a reporting requirement for **conductivity** and lowered the allowable daily maximum **total iron** concentration. The permitting limits of the new coal general permit, except the new iron limits, were immediately enforceable with issuance of the new permit. Mining permits with pre-existing KPDES Coal General Permits were allowed a one-year grace period to comply with the new total iron requirements. Mining permits that did not have a pre-existing KPDES Coal General Permit were not given the one-year grace period, and thus were required to comply with all aspects of the KPDES permit immediately upon issuance.

You are therefore placed on notice that the grace period to comply with the new total iron requirements ends this month. All KPDES Coal General Permittees must comply with all aspects of the permit beginning August 1, 2010. Please note that the requirements for total iron, as well as total manganese, and suspended and settleable solids, will vary depending on the type of permit, type of discharge, and/ or the phase of mining on the permit. Also, be advised that discharges that are on the Long Term Treatment list may have extra monitoring requirements and will not be eligible for post-mining monitoring status unless they have been removed from the Long Term Treatment list. For more information on KPDES Coal General Permit and KPDES Individual Permit requirements, please refer to the Division of Water's website at [www.water.ky.gov/permitting/wastewaterpermitting/KPDES/mining/coal.htm.htm](http://www.water.ky.gov/permitting/wastewaterpermitting/KPDES/mining/coal.htm.htm).

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Gordon Bowers, Environmental Scientist at the London Office of the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement at 606.330.2090 or send him an email at [Gordon.Bowers@ky.gov](mailto:Gordon.Bowers@ky.gov).

Sincerely,



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