

September 27, 2005

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota on September 27, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Clark, Wefald, and Cramer.

Case No. RC-04-656
Coteau Properties Company
Permit NACT-0401
Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission conditionally issue Surface Coal Mining Permit No. NACT-0401 to the Coteau Properties Company to permit 5710.1187 acres at the Freedom Mine. I also move the Commission approve a new collateral bond and riders to increase the bond amount and area for the existing self-bond that covers all permits for the Freedom Mine.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-05-187
Dakota Westmoreland
Revision No. 16, Permit KRSB-
8603
Approval

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Revision No. 16 to Surface Coal Mining Permit KRSB-8603 held by the Dakota Westmoreland Corporation to add 221.2 acres to this permit for the Beulah Mine and to update the appropriate sections of the permit to reflect the added area.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST:

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 4:05 P.M.

Executive Secretary

TONY T. CLARK, PRESIDENT