

APPLICATION FOR BOND RELEASE

Permit No.: _____

Permittee: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Is hereby making application for the release of _____ acres of Performance Bond on Permit No. _____ located in _____ County near _____, Maryland, Maryland Grid Co-ordinates N: _____ E: _____ for the amount of \$ _____ dollars from a total bond amount of \$ _____ dollars posted as a _____ (insert type of bond posted--Surety, CD, Letter of Credit, Cash).

This application is based on the completion of Reclamation Phase I, Phase II, Phase III on the acres indicated above.

The name(s), address(es) and telephone number(s) of the owner(s) of the surface property for which bond release is hereby applied are listed below:

This application also includes copies of all letters which have been sent to surface property owners, adjoining surface property owners, local government bodies, planning agencies, sewage and water treatment authorities and water companies.

The area for which application is being submitted is shown on the attached location map. (Scale 1" = 500').

CERTIFICATION OF APPLICATION AND RECLAMATION

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, states that all the information provided in this Application for Bond Release is true and correct. The undersigned further certifies that all applicable reclamation activities that are a part of this application have been accomplished in accordance with Environment Article, Title 15, Subtitle 5, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Regulatory Program, and the approved reclamation plan for the permit.

Permittee Name: _____

Name of Officer or Agent Whose Signature Appears Below: _____

Title: _____ Telephone No.: _____

Signature of Office or Agent*: _____ Date: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me by: _____

The _____ Day of _____, 20 _____

Notary Public: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

State in which Commissioned: _____

*NOTE: If signer is other than president or secretary of a corporation, attach a notarized copy of power of attorney, or certified resolution which grants signer the legal authority to represent the permittee in this application. (Does not apply to a single proprietorship or partnership.) Such documents should include evidence the power was in effect on the date of the signing.

PUBLIC NOTICE

APPLICATION FOR SURFACE COAL MINING

PERFORMANCE BOND RELEASE

Company: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Has applied for the release of _____ acres of Performance Bond on Permit No. _____ issued on _____, 20____ and located in _____ County near _____, MD, Grid Co-ordinate N: _____ E: _____ for the amount of _____ dollars from a total bond of _____ dollars posted as a _____ (insert type of bond posted--Surety, CD, Letter of Credit, Cash).

The application for release is based on the completion of Reclamation Phase I, Phase II, Phase III on the acres indicated above.

The acres were backfilled and planted with _____ (insert grasses and/or trees) in _____, 20____ for a post mining landuse of _____ in compliance with the regulatory program and the approved mining and reclamation plan.

Written comments or objections or a request for an informal conference may be filed with the Bureau of Mines, 160 South Water Street, Frostburg, MD 21532, until _____. (insert date that is 30 days after last advertisement)

NOTICE OF SURFACE COAL MINING

PERFORMANCE BOND RELEASE

TO: _____

FROM: _____

Mining Permit No.: _____

No. of acres eligible for release: _____

Date: _____

The Maryland Surface Coal Mining Law requires a coal operator to notify adjoining property owners, local governmental bodies, sewage authorities and water companies prior to the release of bonds required by that law.

This company has _____ acres eligible for bond release, located on the _____ tract, in _____ County, in the _____ watershed. These acres were backfilled and planted in _____, 20____ for a post mining landuse of _____, in compliance with the Maryland Regulatory Program and the approved mining and reclamation plan.

This notice is for the release of Reclamation Phase _____ bond.

If you have any comments or if you wish to request a hearing on why these bonds should not be released, please write the Bureau of Mines, 160 South Water Street, Frostburg, Maryland 21532. Your comments or request for a hearing should be submitted to the Bureau of Mines within 30 days of the date of this notice.

SEND CERTIFIED MAIL

This Notice is provided pursuant to § 10-624 of the State Government Article of the Maryland Code. The personal information requested on this form is intended to be used in processing your application. Failure to provide the information requested may result in your application not being processed. You have the right to inspect, amend, or correct this form. The Maryland Department of the Environment ("MDE") is a public agency and subject to the Maryland Public Information Act (Md. Code Ann., State Gov't §§ 10-601, et seq.). This form may be made available on the Internet via MDE's website and is subject to inspection or copying, in whole or in part, by the public and other governmental agencies, if not protected by federal or State law.