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LAND RECLAMATION DIVISION

Memorandum No.2007-03

To: All Coal Mine Operators/Consultants

Date: August 21, 2007

From: Scott K. Fowler, Supervisor
Land Reclamation Division

Re: Reporting of Affected Acreage FY'07

At this time the Department is extending the deadline for FY'07 Affected Acreage Reporting (SCML 3) until December 31, 2007. The Department is reminding all operators that a detailed map must be submitted with their SCML 3 forms showing the acreage affected. If there are acres permitted and have not yet been affected an SCML 3 form for zero acres must be submitted to the Department for FY'07. Areas affected by Auger or Highwall mining must also be reported.

Please submit two SCML 3 forms and accompanying maps for each permit to LRD for review, one of which bears an original signature, and one additional copy and maps for each county the permit is located in. **DO NOT** forward affected acreage forms to the county offices. All copies should be mailed to:

Scott K. Fowler, Office of Mines and Minerals, LRD
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Pursuant to 62 Ill. Adm. Code 1816.190, underground coal mine operators are also required to submit an annual affected acreage form and map for permitted operations. Affected acreage should be reported under the surface affected category on the form. Instructions regarding the reporting of each disturbance category are given on the back (page 2) of the SCML 3 form.

SCML 3 forms are available on the Department's web page for electronic submittal or downloading for hard copy at http://dnr.state.il.us/mines/lrd/cforms.htm. Forms are also available from your field representative, or the Springfield and Benton offices.

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Again the Department is encouraging the submittal of electronic copies of the affected acreage maps. Formats currently acceptable by the Department are:

.DWG (AutoCAD)
.DGN (Microstation)
.DXF (AutoCAD Interchange File)

Electronic submittal of maps allows the company and the Department the ability to have identical maps, maximizing efficiency and reducing reproduction costs. If you wish to submit your affected acreage reports electronically and have additional questions, please contact Dean Spindler at the Springfield office.

The Department reminds you, if you have any questions concerning the reporting of affected acreage, or whether your company must submit a form SCML3, to contact your field representative, or the Springfield or Benton offices.