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LAND RECLAMATION DIVISION
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To: All Coal Mine Operators/Consultants

From: Scott K. Fowler, Supervisor
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Re: Technical Data Used in Applications

The regulations at 62 Ill. Adm. Code 1777.13(a) require that technical data submitted in an application shall be accompanied by the following:

1) the names of persons or organizations that collected the data [indicate if the data was collected by company personnel or a consultant, and if by a consultant the name of the consultant firm];
2) the names of persons or organizations that analyzed the data;
3) the dates of the collection of the data;
4) the dates of the analysis of the data;
5) a description of the methodology used to collect the data [indicate grab, composite, etc.]; and
6) a description of the methodology used to analyze the data [i.e., ASTM standard].

Please note that this information is required for "technical data **submitted in an application.**" The regulations do not specifically require this information for post-issuance technical data that is collected for monitoring or other purposes. But, if technical data collected post-issuance is to be used in a subsequent application for a permit or revision – either significant or insignificant – the information required in Section 1777.13(a) must accompany that data.

Therefore, this information shall be recorded and maintained for all technical data gathered, either pre- or post-issuance, thus making that data viable should it be needed in future applications.