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LAND RECLAMATION MEMORANDUM NO. 89-11

TO: All Coal Mine Operators

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With the implementation of the Department's amended regulations on October 23, 1988, and the use of new application forms UCM-1 and SCM-1, the Department believes a need may exist for a meeting to discuss these changes. Such a meeting could also enhance communications between the industry and the Department. A meeting format similar to the comprehensive meeting held in Carbondale prior to the implementation of the State's permanent program more than seven years ago is envisioned by the Department.

The purpose of this memo is to solicit detailed written suggestions from operators as to the most appropriate subjects to be covered by the meeting, based on your experience with the regulations and dealings with the Department. The content of the meeting does not necessarily have to limit itself to the most recent program changes; all permitting matters upon which assistance may be needed can be addressed. Suggestions should identify either specific or general subject matters. The Department will use these suggestions to develop an agenda.

It is requested that ideas concerning topics for the meeting be submitted to the Department by August 11, 1989. Depending on the nature and scope of the topics to be covered, the Department intends to provide handouts and other aids at the meeting that may be useful for future reference. If sufficient interest is expressed by the industry, a meeting can be developed and scheduled for the fall of 1989.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me or members of my staff.