



## Illinois Department of Natural Resources

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Bruce Rauner, Governor  
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October 2, 2017

Brent Bilsland  
Sunrise Coal, LLC  
1183 East Canvasback Drive  
Terre haute, IN 47802

Re: Permit No.429, Fee and Bond

Dear Mr. Bilsland:

The Department is notifying you the Bulldog mine application for Permit No. 429, along with modifications submitted, as required by the Department, is acceptable. The following actions are necessary for the Department to issue its final decision:

- Submittal of fee and bond,
- Copies of approved modifications submitted, and
- Update of ownership and control information and violation history.

Pursuant to 62 Ill. Adm. Code Sections 1777.17 and 1800.11, the Department is notifying you of the required fee and bond for the proposed operations. The fee required for this permit is \$9,757.50, for surface mining support area (\$5.00/acre x 390.3acres x 5 years). Fee may be paid in equal increments of \$1,951.50, over the five-year permit term.

Bond required for the operations is \$5,486,900.00. The bond may be submitted as an increment of the permit area which must be no smaller than the acreage to be affected annually. Increment bond must be accompanied by three copies of the operations maps designating the permit area for which the bond is submitted. The amount of bond for each individual increment of the proposed permit area is subject to approval by the Department.

Pursuant to 62 Ill. Adm. Code Sections 1777.17(e) and 1800.11(a), failure to submit the required fee and bond within 12 months of this notice shall result in the application being deemed null and void by the Department.

The Department has reviewed the modifications required in our letter dated March 20, 2015, and received by the Department September 26, 2017, along with additional required changes. The Department is requiring Sunrise Coal LLC to submit nine (9) copies of the September 26, 2017 modifications **complete** with the changes subsequently required by the Department. Please note: One (1) copy of the modifications package shall require original signatures and seals. Three (3) of the copies may be on CD in .pdf format; maps in .jpg format.

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Prior to final approval, the applicant shall, pursuant to 62 Ill. Adm. Code Sections 1778.13(i) and 1778.14(e), update, correct or indicate that no changes have occurred in the information previously submitted and approved for the company's ownership and control structure and violation history.

The Department's final decision on your permit application will be made after receipt of the above-listed requirements and after the Department reconsiders whether its review of updated ownership and control information and violation history, under 62 Ill. Adm. Code 1773.15(e), has not altered the Department's decision to issue. Should you have any questions concerning this, please contact my office.

Sincerely,



✓ Scott K. Fowler, Supervisor  
Land Reclamation Division

Enclosure  
SKF:JSc  
cc: C. Johnson