LAND RECLAMATION DIVISION

MEMORANDUM NO. 01-03

To: All Coal Mine Operators

Date: September 4, 2001

From: Scott K. Fowler, Supervisor Land Reclamation Division

Re: Reporting of Affected Acreage

Enclosed is a copy of the affected acreage reporting form (SCML 3) for the fiscal year 2001. As in previous years, a detailed map showing the acreage affected is required. If there are acres available to be affected on a permit but no acres were affected in FY'01, an SCML 3 for zero (0) acres must be submitted to the Department. Please submit two (2) copies of the SCML 3 (including one bearing an original signature of the company official) plus one additional copy for **each** county in which the permit is located along with the appropriate copies of the map(s) to:

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Office of Mines and Minerals Land Reclamation Division 524 So. Second Street Springfield, IL 62701-1787

Pursuant to 62 Ill. Adm. Code 1816.190, underground coal mine operators are also required to submit an annual affected acreage map for permitted underground operations. Affected acreage should be reported under the surface affected category listed on the form SCML 3. Instructions regarding the reporting of each disturbance category are given on the back of the SCML 3 form.

Because of delays in taking our annual aerial photos, the deadline for submission of the affected acreage reports is hereby extended to December 31, 2001. Should you have any questions regarding the reporting of affected acreage, please do not hesitate to contact your field representative.

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The Department encourages the submittal of electronic copies of the affected acreage map. Formats currently acceptable are:

.DWG (Autocad including rev. 14) .DGN, (Micorstation) and .DXF (Autocad Interchange File).

This offers the company and the Department the ability to have "identical" maps in their electronic files, maximizes efficiency and reduces reproduction costs. If you wish to submit your affected acreage reports electronically and have additional quesions, please contact Dean Spindler at the Springfield office. An electronic copy of the SCML 3 form can be downloaded from our web site, <u>http://dnr.state.il.us/mines/lrd/cforms.htm</u>, for inclusion with your electronic maps.