Rod R. Blagojevich, Governor

Joel Brunsvold, Director

One Natural Resources Way • Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271 http://dnr.state.il.us

Land Reclamation Division

Memorandum 2005-07

To: Coal Operators and Water Quality Labs

From: Scott Fowler, Supervisor

Land Reclamation Division

Subject: Electronic Discharge Monitoring Presentation by the

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the Office of Mines and Minerals.

Date: September 21, 2005

The Office of Mines and Minerals, Land Reclamation Division and Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Bureau of Water have prepared a web-based program to allow Discharge Monitor Reporting (DMR's) for the coal mining industry of Illinois. All of the background information for your reporting sites has already been entered into this system. A short information presentation will be held October 20, 2005, at 10:00 am in IEPA's North Grand office in Springfield (go to the Main Entrance on the South side). to demonstrate the how you will be able to use this system. **Operators which choose to use this system will not be required to submit paper copies of DMR's to either agency!**

Operators are strongly urged to take advantage of this as a cost saving measure for both them and the agencies. Some companies may choose to have their contracted labs directly submit the information, so we encourage you to contact them as well to extend the invitation. Jim Schafer will also be on hand afterwards for any questions concerning the electronic submission of Groundwater Monitoring Reporting.

In addition, Ray Druhot, of the Land Reclamation Division will demonstrate the Coal Mine Viewer, currently on the Land Reclamation Division's web page. This allows you to view map information for your permit locations, bond release status, reclamation plans, affected acreage, undermined areas, wetlands, as well as aerial photography and topographic information.

Please contact the Land Reclamation Division via email at mmlrd@dnrmail.state.il.us, or call Jim Schafer at 217/785-5191, to allow us to get a headcount. We have space for 25 persons.