

Rippy Mining Company has requested a reduction of surety on permits number 56 and 60.

The Mined Land Review Committee conducted a field trip on November 2, 1981, to the above captioned permit sites. Upon completion of this inspection, it was determined that the operator has met the requirements of the law.

Therefore, it is recommended that the operator's request be granted.

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John P. Saxton

SUBMITTED BY: F.G.D.

DATE PASSED: 11/20/81

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF POLLUTION CONTROL AND ECOLOGY  
SURFACE MINING AND RECLAMATION DIVISION

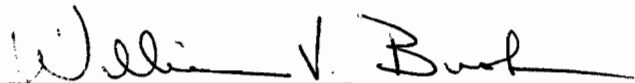
MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Floyd G. Durham, Chief, Surface Mining and Reclamation  
**FROM:** M.J. Bonner, Geologist, Surface Mining and Reclamation  
**DATE:** November 2, 1981  
**SUBJECT:** REQUEST BY RIPPY MINING COMPANY OF NEW CASTLE, COLORADO,  
FOR REDUCTION OF SURETY ON PERMITS NO. 56 AND 60 AS BEING  
FULLY RECLAIMED.

A field trip was made on November 2, 1981, for inspection of the two above captioned permits.

On completion of this inspection, it was determined that the reclaimed surface and vegetative cover was acceptable for this 1.5 acre permit no. 56, and adjoining 1.99 acre permit no. 60.

Based on the above observations, the Mined Land Review Committee recommends that this request be approved. Reduction of surety for permit no. 56 will be \$750., and for permit no. 60 will be \$1,000., for a total of \$1,750.



William V. Bush, Arkansas Geological Commission

Garner Barnum, Arkansas Forestry Commission



Clay Chesney, Arkansas Soil and Water Commission



M.J. Bonner, Arkansas Dept. of Pollution Control & Ecology

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September 9, 1981

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and Ecology  
State of Arkansas  
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72209

*P# 56 & 60 surety Released approved on  
Nov. 2, 1981*

Re: Rippy Mining Company - forfeiture *1/29/82*

*will  
P# 61 & 122 - Release on clean-up of coal pad area  
Should be to next Commission meeting*

Gentlemen:

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Reference is made to letter dated August 19, 1981  
advising that the Department of Pollution Control and Ecology  
has declared a forfeiture of Reclamation Bonds under permits  
#56, 60, 61 and 122, against Rippy Mining Company of New  
Castle, Colorado.

On behalf of Rippy Mining Company, we wish to  
protest this action and request that it be reviewed by the  
Commission.

Mr. Rippy advises that the land in question was  
fully reclaimed, planted and that an abundant stand of grass  
is growing on the area, as is evidenced by the enclosed  
pictures.

For some reason, it has been impossible for Mr.  
Rippy to get your Department to make an inspection of the  
area and to release the Bonds, despite repeated requests.

We therefore request that you do make an in-  
spection and that this action of forfeiture be reversed and  
the security returned to Rippy Mining Company, P. O. Box  
138, New Castle, CO 81647.

Sincerely,

DELANEY & BALCOMB, P. C.

By

*Robert Delaney*  
Robert Delaney

RD/lta  
Enclosures  
cc: Rippy Mining Company

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July 24, 1978

State of Arkansas  
Department of Pollution Control and Ecology  
8001 National Drive  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72209

Attention: Milton J. Bonner, Geologist

RE: Memorandum, Federal Strip Mining Law Compliance

Dear Sir,

We had done some strip mining in Sebastian and Scott Counties in Arkansas in 1977. Our last payroll for work there was week ending 8/27/77.

The seeding was finished the end of June 1978 and we are awaiting your approval on the reclamation and seeding.

We would appreciate hearing from you on this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Pauline Rippy'.

Mrs. Pauline Rippy  
Vice President

PR/kk