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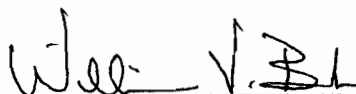
MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Floyd G. Durham, Chief  
FROM: Mined Land Review Committee  
DATE: May 12, 1982  
SUBJECT: Mr. John Ivy of Buckhorn Coal Company, Inc. has requested reduction of surety on Permit #50, 50A-1, and 50A-2 Prairie View Mine as now fully reclaimed.

A field trip by the Mined Land Review Committee was made this date for determination of status and compliance.

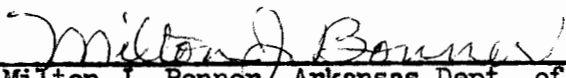
On completion of inspection and discussion, it was determined that the efforts of this operator are acceptable and the water quality of the water impoundments on Permit is now good and acceptable.

Based on the above observations, the Mined Land Review Committee recommends that this operator's request be honored. Total surety for this permit and amendments is \$15,000.00.

  
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William V. Bush, Arkansas Geological Commission

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Clay Chesney, Arkansas Soil & Water Commission

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Garner Barnum, Arkansas Forestry Commission

  
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M E M O R A N D U M

May 13, 1982

TO: Floyd Durham, Dept. of Pollution Control & Ecology  
FROM: *WVB* William V. Bush, Geologist  
SUBJECT: Mined Land Review Committee Recommendation

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On May 12, 1982, Milt Bonner, Wayne Van Buren, and I made a field trip to the following mine sites:

- 1.) Circle N Productions, Inc.
- 2.) Rippy Mining
- 3.) Sugarloaf Mining Co.
- 4.) Buckhorn Coal Co. (water analysis reviewed)

Garner Barnum (Forestry Comm.) and Clay Chesney (Soil and Water) of the Land Reclamation Review Committee were not able to attend the trip.

Earlier field trips by the entire committee had inspected the requests of Rippy, Sugarloaf, and Buckhorn. Rippy was not released at that time because a small coal pad in the corner of the property had not been covered and vegetated. This work is now complete.

Sugarloaf property was visited in 1981 as vegetation was just beginning to grow. A full growing season has passed and the vegetative cover is good.

Buckhorn property had some acid water in three ponds which they have treated. The committee asked the Pollution Control & Ecology inspectors to monitor the ponds to be sure the acid condition had been removed. Records show that the three ponds range from 6.2 to 7.1 pH. We did not go by Buckhorn on May 12, but I reviewed the results of water samples from each pit.

The committee had not visited the Circle N Production, Inc. property before, but we included it on this trip, since it was a small area--less than two acres. The vegetation was good and there was no open pit left.