

## **Summary of Proposed Changes to Regulation No. 15, the Arkansas Open-Cut Land Reclamation Regulation**

The primary purpose for the proposed changes to Regulation No. 15 is to incorporate changes to the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act (A.C.A. §§ 8-4-101 *et seq.*) by Act 1021 of 2013. Specifically the changes to § 8-4-230 approved in Act 1021 are what has to be changed in Regulation No. 15 (Reg.15.310). We are proposing to just reference A.C.A. § 8-4-230 rather than to repeat the language verbatim as had been done in a past version of the regulation.

We are proposing to add a definition of “soil” to Chapter Two. A reference to permit transfers found in Reg.15.303(E) had not been removed in the previous version of the regulation and we are proposing to remove two words “Transfers and”. A new chapter titled “Severability and Effective Date” has been added to the end of the regulation.

Additional formatting changes have been made to conform to the standard template for APC&EC regulations.