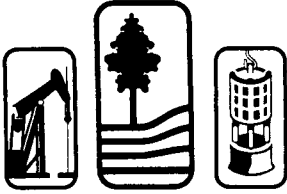


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LAND RECLAMATION DIVISION MEMORANDUM NO. 90-6

TO: All Surface and Underground Coal Mine Operators

FROM: Paul J. Ehret, Supervisor
Land Reclamation Division

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DATE: August 6, 1990

SUBJECT: Reactivation of Operations

Pursuant to 62 Ill. Adm. Code Section 1816.131, all persons conducting surface coal mining operations must notify the Department of plans for temporary cessation of operations for all or a portion of a permit area that lasts or is expected to last for thirty (30) days or more. Temporary abandonment does not relieve a person of their obligation to comply with any provision of the approved permit.

Effective immediately, all operators are to notify the Department, in writing, of their intentions to resume activities on sites or areas that are under temporary cessation. Written notification is to be received by the Department prior to the reactivation of surface coal mining and reclamation operations, and shall indicate the anticipated "start-up" date.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact your field representative.

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