

1. How do general funds get dispersed to the Department of Environmental Protection?
  - a. Once the monies are dispersed to the DEP, how are they divided and based on what criteria?
  - i. What is the coal distribution vs. noncoal distribution in dollars?

For the Title V Administrative & Enforcement Grant (coal), see each attached FORM 425 for fiscal years 2009 through 2014.

2. What is the number and type of permits (i.e., major amendment, minor amendment, etc.) for:

- a. Noncoal
- b. Bluestone
- c. Coal Please see the attached OSM Annual Evaluation Reports for fiscal years 2009 through 2014.

3. What is the fee revenue breakdown by annual administration fees, permit fees, operator license fees, civil penalties, interest, and payment in lieu of bond for noncoal, coal and bluestone?

Coal fees for state fiscal year 2013:

- License fees: \$99,260.70
- Coal ash fees: \$119,000.00
- Application Fees: \$63,860.00
- Fines & penalties: \$314,368.65
- Mine operators collateral guarantees: \$1,054,636.05
- Land Reclamation Financial Guarantee premiums: \$276,563.94

4. Yearly, the Department tracks and reports on their website the number of active permits and number of operators. We would like the 2014 version for noncoal, coal and bluestone. The 2014 coal reports are being compiled and will be available on the DEP Web page by July or August of 2015 at: <http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/reports/20866>

5. For noncoal and coal, what is the number of hours spent on permit review for each type of permit?

- a. Explain the process for how the hours are tracked?
- b. Are employees allocated specific hours for reviewing each type of permit?
- c. Number of hours for each type of permit for last five years.
- d. Explain what tasks occur that support the administration fee and the worker level and pay for noncoal, coal and bluestone; and what tasks occur that support a permit renewal review and the worker level and pay for noncoal, coal and bluestone.

6. We would like a copy of the most recent workload analysis done by/for the Mining Program.

7. Explain the process and amount of the SMCRA grant with the Office of Surface Mining (OSM). What is required in the application, what tracking does DEP have to provide, and how does OSM validate the grant application? The process for the Title V Administrative and Enforcement Grant is described in the Federal Assistance Manual available at: <http://www.osmre.gov/lrg/fam/toc.shtm> and 43 CFR Part 12, Subpart C - Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments available at [www.ecfr.gov](http://www.ecfr.gov).

a. How are OSM grant monies and hours tracked? Grant expenditures and grant personnel hours are recorded in the Commonwealth's Integrated Enterprise System.

b. What are the federal dollars awarded and spent from 2009-2014; what are the corresponding state dollars awarded and spent from 2009-2014? See the attached Form 425, Federal Financial Report for federal fiscal years 2009 through 2014. Federal expenditures are indicated in Section 10g and state expenditures are indicated in Section 10j of Form 425. State expenditures are primarily from the General Fund and also from the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Fund.

c. We would like a copy of approved OSM grant application and reconciliation report for past five years. Copies of Pennsylvania's Title V Administrative and Enforcement Grant applications for federal fiscal years 2009 through 2014 are attached. The financial reconciliation report would be the Form 425 indicated in 7b.

8. Explain the Memorandum of Understanding between DEP's Water program and Mining program.

a. What are the total hours spent on NPDES work by permit type for years 2009-2014 for coal and noncoal?

b. What is the type and average salary of employee that posts these hours?

c. What is the amount received from Water Program as compensation for water-related work under the MOU for years 2009-2014 for coal and noncoal, including Chapters 102, 105 and NPDES?

9. Employees (number not name) assigned to noncoal and coal and associated salaries and benefits for each?

Personnel for the Title V Administrative & Enforcement Grant are counted by the total number Full Time Equivalents (FTEs), as many individuals may charge time to the grant and also activities funded from other sources. The number of FTEs for each fiscal year are indicated in each Title V Grant application attached, along with the Benefits rate for each year. The actual dollars and hours charged by each employee charging time to the Title V Grant are indicated in the attached "Title V Grant Personnel" reports for fiscal years 2009 through 2014.

10. Excel file of permit type, authorized acres, permitted acres, hours assigned to noncoal and coal permits?

11. Number of noncoal and coal permits officially returned?

12. Breakdown of inspections by permit category, complete or partial, number of associated hours, employee cost, employee benefits, employee overhead, and totals for last five years for noncoal and coal?

13. Number of bond forfeitures for years 2009-2014 for noncoal and coal?

14. Annual administration fee by company for years 2009-2014?

15. Costs by year, by category, for noncoal, coal and bluestone:

Coal: [See response to 7c.](#)

a. Personnel

i. Payroll

ii. Benefits

b. Overhead

c. Travel/training

d. Equipment

e. Supplies

f. Contractual

g. Other