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Technical Guidance

Non Regulatory Agenda

Guidance Documents in process

- Pre-applications
- Engineering Manual
- Blaster's License Suspension
- Coal Ash
- GP Materials
- Civil Penalties
- GFCCs

NPDES Permitting Update

- As of October 5, 611 Draft Permits have been sent to EPA
- EPA has commented or objected on 349
- Issues
 - Checklist
 - Remining/TMDLs
 - Sediment Pond Sampling on TMDLs
 - Detection Limits
 - June 11 Letter

NPDES Permitting Statistics

	Issued	Could be Issued	Pending
Comments	321	23	5
No Comments (99 No Comment Letters)	222	34	6 (Awaiting 30 Days)

▶ Historical Application Progress (Coal)

- As of October 5
 - 1480 of 1629 have been disposed
 - 149 (9.1%) remaining for action
 - 90 Renewals
 - 6 Annual Bond Reviews

58 Pottsville/91 California

0 Cambria/0 Greensburg/0 Moshannon/0 Knox

▶ Permit Decision Guarantee (Coal)

DMO(on time target)	Received	Disposed
Pottsville(68.5%)	1119	783
Moshannon(85.0%)	1161	1015
New Stanton(79.4%)	753	580
Cambria(83.0%)	1461	1248
California(87.1%)	1316	899
Knox(94.9%)	767	707

Trust Agreement/bond Status

	Jan 2007	Jan 2011	Mar 2014	Sept 2015
Total Agreements (165)	56	107	133	133
Bonds	31	64	76	75
Fully Funded Trusts	14	30	39	40
Partially Funded Trusts	11	10 + 3 ABS	15 + 3 ABS	15 + 3 ABS

Financial Summary

	Jan 2007	Jan 2011	Mar 2015	Sept 2015
Bonds	\$84.1 M	\$192.0 M	\$225.0 M	\$ 224.5 M
Fully Funded Trusts	\$38.6 M	\$52.5 M (69.1 M)	\$73 M (\$77 M)	\$ 73 M (\$ 77.5 M)
Partially Funded Trusts	\$39 M	\$18.5 M (52.8 M)	\$60.6 M (\$127 M)	\$60.9 M (\$142 M)

Land Reclamation Financial Guarantees

	Count (last report)	Average Amount
LRFG Operators	88 (85)	\$246,462 (\$2.42 M Max)
LRFG Permits	136 (130)	\$159,475 (\$2.1 M Max)
	June 2015	Oct 2015
Total Underwritten	\$21.1 M	\$ 21.7 M

Rec Fee Account Revenue-3rd Qtr 2015

Month	Coal Civil Penalties	Interest
July	\$12,907.00	\$537.88
August	\$13,265.00	\$529.84
September	\$16,925.00	\$518.05
FYTD Total	\$43,097.00 (\$40.942.15)	\$1,585.77

Reclamation Fee Account

Other Revenue

LRFG Interest

- \$51,028.85 Transferred August 2015
- Additional \$6,423.20 FYTD

Reclamation Fee Account Status

Recent Balance (Aug 31)	\$3,228,888.45
15-16 FY Expenditures (Aug)	\$70,878.77

Proj. Expenditures (FY 15-16)	\$941,785.00
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14-15 Civil Penalties (\$165,732.25) are not reflected in August 31 balance.

[Review Report and Comments](#)

Regulatory Update

- Regulatory Agenda
 - Acts 95 and 157-April EQB
 - Remining (Sub F/Sub G)-May EQB-Tolled
 - OSM Program Consistency-Committee
 - Water Supply Replacement (87 and 88)
 - Chapter 210/211-September EQB
 - Coal Fees

Coal Fees

The three-year report was presented to the EQB
Money is deposited into three coal mining funds

SMCRA

Coal Refuse

BMCSLA

NPDES Fees go into the Clean Water Fund

Coal Fees Revenue

FY 12-13	\$54,417.00
FY 13-14	\$166,110.00
FY 14-15	\$100,962.43
FY 15-16 (through Sept)	\$52,445.24

CWF Mining Fee Revenue

FY 12-13	\$247,800.00
FY 13-14	\$523,296.00
FY 14-15	\$474,729.00
FY 15-16 (through Sept)	\$129,718.00



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