Annex A

TITLE 25. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

PART I. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Subpart C. PROTECTION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

ARTICLE I. LAND RESOURCES

CHAPTER 86. SURFACE AND UNDERGROUND COAL MINING: GENERAL

§ 86.1. Definitions.

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Major Permit Revision-a revision to a coal mining permit that requires public notice.

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<u>Permit Application Fee--A non-refundable filing fee due at the time of submission of an application. The permit application fee is required in order for an application to be considered complete.</u>

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§ 86.3. Use of Coal Refuse Disposal Control Fund.

- (a) Moneys, including permit application fees, fines, bond forfeitures and civil penalties deposited in the Coal Refuse Disposal Control Fund may be used by the Department for the elimination of pollution, the abatement of health and safety hazards and nuisances, reclamation and other related uses including conducting scientific studies and research as authorized under the Coal Refuse Disposal Control Act (52 P. S. § § 30.51—30.66).
- (b) Permit Application Fees required by this Chapter for permit applications submitted pursuant to the Coal Refuse Disposal Control Act will be used by the Department to cover its costs to review such applications.

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§ 86.17. Permit and reclamation fees.

(a) A permit application for coal mining activities shall be accompanied by a <u>payment [check for \$250 payable]</u> to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" for the amount of the Permit

Application Fee provided in the fee schedule set forth in subsection (b) which corresponds to the type of application being submitted. For purposes of this subsection, permit applications include all of the applications listed in subsection b.

(b) [A permit application for a coal preparation plant shall be accompanied by a check for \$250 payable to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania."] The Permit Application Fee schedule is as follows:

(1) New Permits	Fee
Surface Mining Permit	<u>\$3,250</u>
Coal Refuse Reprocessing Permit	\$1,900
Coal Refuse Disposal Permit	\$3,250
Coal Preparation Plant Permit	\$1,650
Anthracite Underground Mining Permit	\$1,650
Bituminous Underground Mining Permit	\$5,750
Post Mining Activity Permit	\$300
Incidental Extraction Permit	\$1,650
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(2) Major Permit Revisions	Fee
Surface Mining Permit	\$300
Coal Refuse Reprocessing Permit	\$300
Anthracite Coal Refuse Disposal Permit	\$300
Bituminous Coal Refuse Disposal Permit	\$1,250
Anthracite Coal Preparation Plant Permit	\$300
Bituminous Coal Preparation Plant Permit	\$1,250
Anthracite Coal Underground Mining Permit	\$300
Bituminous Coal Underground Mining Permit	<u>\$1,250</u>
(4) Permit Transfer	<u>Fee</u>
<u>All</u>	<u>\$250</u>
(5) Permit Renewal	<u>Fee</u>
<u>All</u>	<u>\$250</u>
(6) Other Actions	Fee
Auger Safety Permit	<u>\$200</u>
Bond Liability Revision	<u>\$100</u>

- (c) [A renewal application, whether the site has not yet been activated or where coal is being extracted, shall be accompanied by a check for \$250 payable to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania." A renewal application for reclamation activities requires no application fee.] For surface coal mine facilities, coal refuse reprocessing facilities, and coal mining activity facilities, except for bituminous underground mines, all Permit Application Fees collected shall be deposited in the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Fund. Permit Application Fees collected for bituminous underground mines shall be deposited in the Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Reclamation Fund. For coal refuse disposal facilities, all Permit Application Fees collected shall be deposited in the Coal Refuse Disposal Control Fund. Permit Application Fees required by this section will be used by the Department to cover its costs to review permit applications.
- (d) [A permit application for coal refuse disposal activities shall be accompanied by a check for \$500 plus \$10 per acre for acreage in excess of 50 acres payable to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania."] The Department will review the adequacy of the Permit Application Fees established in this section at least once every three years and shall provide a written report to the Environmental Quality Board. The report shall identify any disparity between the amount of program income generated by the fees and the costs to administer these programs, and it shall contain recommendations to increase fees to eliminate the disparity, including recommendations for regulatory amendments to increase program fees.

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