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Overview of Noncoal Bond Forfeitures

Overview of Numbers

141 Industrial Mineral permits have been forfeited in the last 10 years

- 2010 8
- 2011 1
- 2012 13
- 2013 12
- 2014 28
- 2015 33
- 2016 14
- 2017 5
- 2018 7
- 2019 8
- 2020 12

Type of Forfeited Facility

Type	Pottsville	Moshannon	New Stanton	Cambria	Knox	Total by type
GP-105	2	0	0	0	0	2
GP-103	0	0	0	0	0	0
Small <10k	6	4	1	0	1	12
Small < 2k	56	46	1	2	10	115
Large	2	2	2	2	4	12
Underground	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total by Office	66	52	4	4	15	141

Reasons for Forfeiture

For the forfeitures issued from 2010-2020,
the following citations were used:

Violation Citation	Times Used
Conducting mining activities on unbonded area	2
Conducting mining activities without a valid mining license	215
Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the permit	4
Failure to conduct backfilling concurrently with mining and in accordance with the approved plans	1
Failure to conduct reclamation concurrently with mining	8
Failure to maintain proper bond	2
Failure to pay annual noncoal administration fee	97
Failure to pay outstanding civil penalties	16
Failure to post signs & markers	1
Failure to properly design, construct or maintain erosion & sedimentations controls	1
Failure to reclaim an operation that is permanently ceased	8
Failure to remove unnecessary control facilities	1
Failure to submit an Operations and Progress Report	1
Other industrial minerals violations	22
Temporarily ceasing operations without notification to or approval of the Department	8
Unlawful conduct; Failure to comply	30

One forfeiture commonly has more than one violation.



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