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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



Bureau of Mining Programs

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▶ Permit Decision Guarantee

- Guidance Documents to be revised
 - Pre-applications (563-2112-214)
 - Engineering Manual

Other Guidance

- Guidance Documents recently revised
 - Surface Mine Accident Investigations (final March 15)
 - Conventional bonding (April 5)

NPDES Permitting Update

- As of March 31, 459 Draft Permits have been sent to EPA
- They have provided comments/objections on 279
- Issues
 - SBE for Table IV
 - Stormwater/TMDLs
 - “0” to represent not present (revise forms?)

NPDES Permitting Statistics

	Issued	Could be Issued	Pending
Comments	236	41	2
No Comments (86 No Comment Letters)	146	27	7 (Awaiting 30 Days)

▶ Historical Application Progress (Coal)

- As of March 31
 - 1253 Have been disposed
 - 331 (21%) Remaining for action
 - 168 Renewals
 - 12 Annual Bond Reviews
 - 126 Pottsville/167 California
 - 11 Cambria/20 Greensburg/4 Moshannon/0 Knox

Trust Agreement/bond Status

	Jan 2007	Jan 2009	Jan 2011	Apr 2014
Total Agreements (165) _{Was 132}	56	96	107	129
Bonds	31	56	64	75
Fully Funded Trusts	14	31	30	36
Partially Funded Trusts	11	6 + 3 ABS	10 + 3 ABS	15 + 3 ABS

Financial Summary

	Jan 2007	Jan 2009	Jan 2011	Apr 2014
Bonds	\$84.1 M	\$118.4 M	\$192.0 M	\$214M
Fully Funded Trusts	\$38.6 M	\$57.6 M	\$52.5 M (\$69.1 M)	\$ 68.3 M (73.8 M)
Partially Funded Trusts	\$39 M	\$36.8 M	\$18.5 M (\$52.8 M)	\$ 42.8 M (\$102.9 M)

Rec Fee Account Revenue-1st Qtr 2014

Month	Coal Civil Penalties	Interest
January	\$31,733.75	\$516.52
February	\$7,410.00	\$500.61
March	\$54,743.98	\$461.28
FYTD Total	\$299,007.73 (\$284,057.34)	\$4,868.61

Regulatory Update

- Regulatory Agenda
 - Acts 95 and 157 (Proposed Rulemaking is in the internal review process-July EQB?)
 - Remining (Sub F and Sub G)-Committee Progress
 - OSM Program Consistency
 - Water Supply Replacement (87 and 88)

Reclamation Fee O & M Status

March 31, 2014 balance (\$3,356,304.37)

FYTD Expenses \$453,365.80

LRFG Interest (\$16,918.42)

Possible Available funds from LRFG

\$71,988.70 from 12/13

\$197,805.15 FYTD

▶ Reclamation Fee O & M Projects

~30 individual permits under contract

~10 under grants

Projected for FY 14-15

Contracts \$856,700 (\$250,000 is for contingency)

Grants \$224,500

▶ Rec Fee O & M Estimate

Current Balance	\$3.35 M
Contracts	\$600,000
Grants	\$225,000
Income	\$305,000
Result	\$2.83 M



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