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RE: Peabody Midwest Mining, LLC – Bear Run Mine
Request for Information Pursuant to Section 308 of the Clean Water Act
Effluent Sampling Data Report for September 2012

Dear Ms. Pellegrini:

Information comprising the September Effluent Sampling Data Report is attached and consists of the following:

1. Monthly rainfall record as measured at the Bear Run office
2. Laboratory analyses sheets for collected samples
3. Chain of custody for collected samples

The approved effluent sampling plan requires one base flow (dry weather) condition sample and one precipitation (wet weather) condition sample per month, dependent on precipitation and discharge conditions. Because of unusually dry weather during the spring and summer months, additional samples were collected in September in an effort to provide more data as requested by EPA. Continued low pool levels present in the sediment basins resulted in no dry weather flows from outfalls 03R, 18R, 044, 058 and 062. A dry weather flow at outfall 053 due to pit dewatering from previous mining operations was sampled on September 24th. Wet weather samples were collected for outfalls 18R and 053 on September 6th, for outfalls 044 and 062 on September 8th and for outfalls 18R, 044, 053 and 062 on September 27th.

Please contact me at 812-434-8593 or smcgarvie@peabodyenergy.com with any questions.

Sincerely,

Scott D. McGarvie
Authorized Representative

Attachments

c: Bear Run Mine