



Kentucky  
Department for Surface Mining  
Reclamation and Enforcement

# Reclamation Advisory Memorandum

From: Elmore C. Grim, Commissioner *E.C.G.*

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Subject: Submission of Technically Complete Applications,  
Priority III and IV

## RAM # 72

As outlined in RAM #65, all mine operators having Priority III or IV transitioning permits (identified by codes beginning with C, D, F, or H thru N) must submit a technically complete application to the appropriate regional office on or before December 19, 1983, C.O.B. (4:30 p.m. E.S.T.).

On this date, all applications must contain the major elements required by KRS Chapter 350 and Title 405 Chapters 7-24, which are necessary to conduct a meaningful technical review by the Division of Permits. Any application which is found to be missing one or more of these major elements will not be determined technically complete.

Submittal of sediment pond designs and compliance demonstrations will bring most applications to a technically complete stage so long as the applicant utilizes the methods previously approved by the Department. See TRM #13 for a complete listing of approved methods.

Priority III and IV operators receiving Small Operator Assistance (SOAP) must submit the geologic and hydrologic information provided by SOAP contractors, pond designs and related compliance demonstrations, within ten (10) working days after receiving the approved PHC and Geologic Statement reports from the SOAP Branch. All other information required on permit applications must be submitted by December 19, 1983, if not previously submitted to the Division.

Considering the tremendous backlog of pending permit applications and the short time frame in which the Department must take final action, applicants are being requested to withdraw all pending transition applications for operations which they no longer intend to permit under the permanent program. These operations include those which have mined out since the initial application submittal or those which have permanently ceased coal removal and are only conducting reclamation activities. Request for withdrawals must be in writing from the applicant and addressed to the Director of the Division of Permits.

Your cooperation in this matter will be appreciated. Any questions should be directed to the Division of Permits, 6th Floor, Capital Plaza Tower, Frankfort, KY 40601 ((502) 564-2320, or the appropriate regional office.