

Reclamation Advisory Memorandum RAM # 131

Kentucky Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

From: Carl E. Campbell, Commissioner

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Subject: Latitude and Longitude in Advertisements

This Reclamation Advisory Memorandum amends RAM #106 (May 7, 1992).

RAM #106 specifies the requirements for newspaper advertisements for pending surface coal mining permit applications. In general, applicants must advertise the filing of applications for permits, amendments, major revisions, operator change revisions, transfers, renewals, and reclamation deferrals due to coal marketing problems.

Effective July 1, 1999, applicants will no longer have to include the latitude and longitude in newspaper advertisements. This is the only requirement of RAM #106 that is affected. Other than the latitude and longitude, the newspaper advertisements must read exactly as the examples in RAM #106 and contain all other elements specified in RAM #106.

The "official" latitude and longitude will be obtained when the DSMRE field person conducts the permit walk with the company and/or consulting engineer. The latitude and longitude will be verified and entered into DSMRE's Surface Mining Information System (SMIS) database. Any discrepancies in latitude/longitude readings will be addressed by DSMRE and will be reconciled with the applicant.

Any questions concerning this RAM should be directed to Vicki M. Pettus, Director, Division of Permits at (502) 564-2320 or Vicki.Pettus@mail.state.ky.us.

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