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Reply To
Attn Of: OWW-130

To: Commentors and Public Hearing Participants

Re: Teck Alaska, Inc.'s Red Dog Mine
NPDES Permit No.: AK-003865-2


Dear Commentor:

We are reissuing a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit for the Red Dog Mine. The permit authorizes the facility to discharge to the Middle Fork Red Dog Creek. The permit and the response to comments received on the draft permits during the public comment periods are enclosed.

This letter serves as service of notice under 40 CFR 124.19(a). This regulation, in combination with the "computation of time" regulations at 40 CFR 124.20, states that any petition for an appeal of the permit must be submitted to the Environmental Appeals Board (EAB) within 30 days of the service of notice plus an allowance of three days for mailing, unless a later date is specified in that notice. EPA has elected to specify a later date in this case.

The 30-day period within which a person may petition the EAB begins on January 15, 2010. The permit will become effective on the date indicated in the permit unless a timely appeal meeting the requirements of 40 CFR 124.19 is received by the EAB. Information about the administrative appeal process can be obtained on-line at www.epa.gov/eab or by contacting the Clerk of the Environmental Appeals Board at (202) 233-0122.

Sincerely,


Michael A. Bussell, Director
Office of Water and Watersheds

Enclosures

cc: Tim Pilon – ADEC/Fairbanks