

Permit No: (DMM use only) **Bond No:**

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF MINES, MINERALS AND ENERGY DIVISION OF MINERAL MINING 900 NATURAL RESOURCES DRIVE, STE. 400 CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22903 TELEPHONE: (434) 951-6310

SURETY BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT THE UNDERSIGNED

(hereafter **PRINCIPAL**),

whose principal place of business is _____

and who does business as a [CHECK ONE ONLY]:
Corporation;
Limited Partnership; □ Limited Liability Company; □ Partnership; or □ Sole Proprietorship, acting herein as PRINCIPAL, and

(hereafter SURETY),

whose principal business address is _____

and who was organized and is existing under the laws of the State of _____ and licensed to write and perform surety business in the Commonwealth of Virginia, are held and firmly bound unto the

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF MINERAL MINING (hereafter **OBLIGEE**),

in the sum of _____

) Dollars for the payment of which sum the **PRINCIPAL** and SURETY bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION is such that:

WHEREAS, the PRINCIPAL proposes to commence mineral mining to be known as

in _____ County(ies) of Virginia; and,

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WHEREAS, the above-named **PRINCIPAL** has submitted [CHECK ONE ONLY]: \Box Permit Tracking Number or \Box Permit Number ______, including a mining and reclamation plan, to conduct and reclaim a mineral mining operation, as defined pursuant to Chapter 16 of Title 45.1 of the <u>Code of Virginia</u>, (hereafter, **CODE**), as amended, with its attendant regulations; and,

WHEREAS, the **PRINCIPAL** has chosen to file this performance bond as a guarantee that the reclamation of the land disturbed during this mining operation will be completed as required by the **CODE**, its attendant regulations, and as specified in the permit as issued; and,

WHEREAS, the SURETY, and their successors and assigns agree to guarantee the obligation and to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless OBLIGEE from any and all losses and expenses which OBLIGEE may sustain as a result of the PRINCIPAL'S failure to comply with the condition of the obligation;

WHEREAS, obligations guaranteed by this performance bond shall be in effect for the following described lands approved as the permit area upon which initial or succeeding operations will be conducted:

NOW, if the **PRINCIPAL** faithfully completes all reclamation and abatement requirements set forth in the **CODE** and its Permit issued in reliance on this Surety Bond, including the mining and reclamation plan, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise, it shall remain in full force and effect:

- (a) Beginning on the date of the approval and issuance of [CHECK ONE ONLY]
 □ Permit Tracking Number or □ Permit Number ______ and until abatement work pursuant to the CODE and the permit has been completed to the satisfaction of the OBLIGEE; and
- (b) Until the bond is released pursuant to the **CODE**, replaced in accordance with the **CODE**, or until the permit has been transferred in accordance with the **CODE**.

The failure of the **PRINCIPAL** to fulfill the obligations specified by the **CODE** and its permit shall result in a forfeiture of this performance bond according to the procedures described in the **CODE**.

The **SURETY** shall not cancel this bond at any time for any reason, including nonpayment of premium or bankruptcy of the **PRINCIPAL** during the period of liability.

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The **SURETY** shall give prompt notice to the **PRINCIPAL** and to the **OBLIGEE** of any notice received or action filed alleging the insolvency or bankruptcy of the **SURETY** or of the **PRINCIPAL**, or alleging any violations or regulatory requirements which could result in suspension or revocation of the **SURETY'S** license to do business.

In the event the **SURETY** becomes unable to fulfill its obligations under the bond for any reason, notice shall be given immediately to the **PRINCIPAL** and to the **OBLIGEE**. Any proceeding, legal or equitable, under this bond must be instituted in a Virginia court of competent jurisdiction and shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Upon the incapacity of the **SURETY** by reason of bankruptcy, insolvency, or suspension or revocation of its license, the **PRINCIPAL** shall be deemed to be without bond coverage in violation of the **CODE** and subject to enforcement actions described therein.

		(SEAL) By:	
Company /I	Principal	Company/Principal O	fficial
	Title	Date	
Subscribed a	nd sworn/affirmed to be	efore me by	
this	day of	, aaa, in the City/County of	
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		Notary Public	(SEAL

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II. BY SURETY: Attach copy bearing seal of Power of Attorney or documentation supporting Corporate Officer's authority to issue surety bond.	
	_(SEAL) By:
Surety Name	Attorney-in-Fact
Date	Typed Name
	the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of ed Book, Page,
or Instrument, and has no	
	Attorney-in-Fact
	of) CITY/COUNTY OF
, to	wit: personally appeared
	made oath that he/she is the attorney-in-fact of
	, the Surety, that he/she is duly
authorized to execute on its behalf the forego	ing Bond pursuant to the Power of Attorney noted
above, and on behalf of said Surety acknowledg	ed the aforesaid Bond(s) as its act and deed.
Given under my hand this day o	f
	(SEAL)
	(~)
	Notary Public

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III. BY ISSUING AGENT: 1.	Attach copy of Agency License and Assignment Card from Bureau of Insurance.
2.	Attach verification of individual's authority to sign on behalf
	of Agency.
Insurance Agency Issuing Surety Bond (provide the following information):	
Agency name:	
IV. DIVISION APPROVAL:	
ACCEPTED:	f Mineral Mining