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Subject: Division of Water Quality's Request for Comments-Groundwater Permit Renewal Sunnyside Cogen

I was asked to look at DWQ's request for comments with regard to renewal of the groundwater discharge point (UGW070002) associated with the ash piles at the Sunnyside Cogeneration facilities. I found that the ash piles are part of the processing (burn) plant, and not of the refuse site. The permit does not fall under mining jurisdiction. I talked to Keith Eagan (DEQ) to see what the permit encompassed. He said it was a permit renewal, in operational for the past 15 years. He stated there is not a groundwater impact, because the ash sits on the Mancos shale and has less concentration of harmful constituents than the shale. Discharge of ground water will not influence or affect mining activities at Sunnyside Cogen or other mine sites. There is no need for the Division to respond to this public notice.