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Dear Steve,

This letter is to keep you posted of some enforcement action that may be of interest to you.

I issued a violation to Kaiser Steel (NOV-86-6-9-1) for discharging mine water into an undisturbed drainage at an unapproved site. It was the fault of an individual who was switching valves for irrigation water. Its the same water used for irrigating local alfalfa fields but first goes through a mine water sediment pond. Water quality data is pending but visually it looked pretty good.

I also issued a violation to Soldier Creek Coal Company for much the same thing. They build a new mine water discharge point for their NPDES discharge point. They claim that the water is the same as in discharged at their approved site but agreed to shut it off until an approval is granted. The water quality visually was also pretty good. I'm sure you'll be hearing from these companies if they wish to make the permanent changes to their permit.

I issued a violation (NOV 84-6-8-1) at Beaver Creek Huntington #4 mine in July for water that was bypassing a blocked culvert to the sediment pond and entering Mill Fork Creek, a tributary of the Huntington River. I just got the water quality report back and the sample had a TSS level of 91,180 mg/l and an Oil and Grease level of 17.7 mg/l. I'm sure you'll be receiving a copy of the data sheet.

If you have any questions on these matters please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,

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