



**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** January 2, 2008

**TO:** Land Reclamation Commission

**FROM:** Guy Frazier, Environmental Specialist  
Land Reclamation Program (*original signed by Guy Frazier*)

**SUBJECT:** Summary of Responsibility Releases for the National Refractories Industrial Mineral Bankruptcy closure Approved by Staff Director.

This action is necessary due to the bankruptcy of National Refractories and their failure to properly close permitted sites. National left a legacy of 32 sites under permit for which their reclamation bond was forfeited. One of the first steps in closing out the National sites is to ask the Commission to release responsibility on sites which do not really require further reclamation work. Some of the remaining sites will require significant work, but the sites listed below have been evaluated and determined to be complete needing no further action.

The Staff Director of the Land Reclamation Program has evaluated and approved the following responsibility releases. The Program is asking the Commission to formally release any further responsibility on these sites. Current landowners were notified 30 days in advance of the Commission’s meeting of these releases by confirmation of certified mail, and none of the landowners involved have raised any objections.

<b>Company</b>	<b>Permit #</b>	<b>Mine</b>	<b>Land Use</b>	<b>Acres Released</b>
National Refractories	0389	Bade	Not Mined	7
National Refractories	0389	Love	Water & Pasture	9
National Refractories	0389	McGuire	Water & Pasture	6
National Refractories	0389	Nicks Pit 3	Not Mined	2
National Refractories	0389	Nicks Pit 3a	Not Mined	1.5
National Refractories	0389	Nicks Pit 4	Not Mined	1.5
National Refractories	0389	Nicks Pit 4A & 6	Not Mined	6.5
National Refractories	0389	Ray Pinet	Water & Pasture	1
National Refractories	0389	Rudolph	Water & Pasture	4
National Refractories	0389	Vohs Pit #2	Not Mined	3
National Refractories	0389	Wetherall	Water & Recreation	4
			Total	45.5