**GENERAL EXCEPTIONS**

Does the project type specifically require an EA in 516 DM 6, Appendix 8, as specified in Item I of the attached instructions?

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**DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR EXCEPTIONS**

Will the project have any of the following:

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- A significant adverse effect on public health or safety?
- An adverse effect on any of the following unique geographic characteristics? If 'yes,' check the ones that apply:
  - Parks (state, local or National)
  - Recreation or Refuge Lands
  - Wilderness Areas
  - Ecologically Significant or Critical Areas
  - Prime Farmlands
  - Wild or Scenic Rivers
  - Wetlands
  - Floodplains
  - Sole or Principal Drinking Water Aquifers
- Highly controversial environmental effects?
- Highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or unique or unknown environmental risks?
- A precedent for future action or a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?
- Directly related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects?
- Adverse effects on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places?
- Adverse effects on species listed or proposed to be listed on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have adverse effects on designated Critical Habitat for these species?
III. RESOURCE IMPACT EXCEPTIONS

Are there any unresolved issues or adverse effects requiring specialized mitigation for any of the following resources? If yes, check the ones that apply.

- [ ] Topography
- [ ] Land Use (includes prime farmland)
- [ ] Soils
- [ ] Vegetation (includes wetlands)
- [ ] Hydrology
- [ ] Fish and Wildlife
- [ ] Historic and Cultural
- [ ] Recreation
- [ ] Air Quality
- [ ] Noise
- [ ] Other (includes socio-economics)

No [x]  Yes [ ]

IV. ATTACH CONSULTATION LETTERS AND A LOCATION MAP

V. RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION

Signature: Robert F. Scott, Director
Name and Title: Division of Abandoned Mine Lands
Date: 4/19/2012

VI. OSM DETERMINATION

This project conforms with the exclusion criteria in 516 Dm 6, Appendix 8, and is excluded from further NEPA compliance.

Signature: Robert F. Scott, Field Office Director
Name and Title: Joseph L. Blackburn, Field Office Director
Date: 6/1/12