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County Clerk
Lawrence County Courthouse
1100 State Street
Lawrenceville, Illinois 62439

Re: Sunrise Coal, LLC
Oaktown Mine – Russellville Portal
NPDES Permit No. IL0080226
Bureau ID No. W0338000004
Public Notice of Renewed Permit

County Clerk:

Please post the attached National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Public Notice for a period of 30 days. In addition, complete and return the enclosed post card indicating the date of posting. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. F. Nightingale".

Stephen F. Nightingale, P.E.
Manager, Industrial Unit, Permit Section
Division of Water Pollution Control

SFN:IKW:/8380c/3-9-26

Enclosures: Public Notice/Fact Sheet, Post Card

cc: Marion Region/Mine Pollution Control Program
BOW/DWPC/Records

NPDES Permit No. IL0080226

Notice No. 8379c

Public Notice Beginning Date: April 9, 2026

Public Notice Ending Date: May 8, 2026

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)
Permit Program

Draft Reissued NPDES Permit to Discharge into Waters of the State

Public Notice/Fact Sheet Issued By:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Water, Division of Water Pollution Control
Permit Section
1021 North Grand Avenue East
Post Office Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
217/782-0610

Name and Address of Discharger:

Sunrise Coal, LLC
1183 East Canvasback Drive
Terre Haute, IN 47802

Name and Address of Facility:

Sunrise Coal, LLC
Oaktown Mine – Russellville Portal
2 miles north-west from Russellville, Illinois
(Lawrence County)

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA or Agency) has made a tentative determination to issue an NPDES permit to discharge into waters of the state and has prepared a draft permit and associated fact sheet for the above named discharger. The Public Notice period will begin and end on the dates indicated in the heading of this Public Notice/Fact Sheet. Comments will be accepted until midnight of the Public Notice period ending date indicated above, unless a request for an extension of the original comment period is granted by the Agency. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the draft permit to the IEPA at the above address. Commenters shall provide his or her name, address and the nature of the issues raised and the evidence supporting those issues. Commenters may include a request for public hearing. The NPDES permit and notice number(s) must appear on each comment page.

The application, engineer's review notes, Public Notice/Fact Sheet, draft permit, comments received, and other documents are available for inspection and may be copied at the IEPA between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday when scheduled by the interested person.

As provided in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 309.115(a) any person may submit a request for a public hearing and if such written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in the draft permit, the permitting authority may, at its discretion, hold a public hearing. The Agency shall issue public notice of such hearing no less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of such hearing in the manner described by 35 Ill. Adm. Code 309.109 through 309.112 for public notice. The Agency's responses to written and/or oral comments will be provided in the Responsiveness Summary provided when the final permit is issued.

The applicant proposes an additional surface facility area to an existing underground coal mine (SIC 1222). Mine operations result in the discharge of alkaline mine drainage.

Application is made for one (1) existing discharge which is located in Lawrence County, Illinois. The following information identifies the discharge points, receiving streams and stream classifications:

<u>Outfall</u>	<u>Receiving Stream</u>	<u>Latitude (North)</u>	<u>Longitude (West)</u>
001	Unnamed tributary to Allison Ditch	38° 50' 17"	87° 32' 46"

The stream segment (ILBEZF) of Allison Ditch receiving the flow from the unnamed tributary into which Outfall 001 discharges is not on the 2024 303(d) list of impaired waters.

The alkaline mine discharge from this facility shall be monitored and limited at all times as follows:

Outfall: 001

Discharge Condition	Parameters										
	Total Suspended Solids (3) (mg/L)		Iron (total) (3), (4) (mg/L)		pH (3) (S.U.)	Alkalinity/Acidity (3)	Sulfate (1) (mg/L)	Chloride (mg/L)	Hardness (5)	Flow (MGD)	Settleable Solids (2) (ml/l)
	30 day average	daily maximum	30 day average	daily maximum							
I	35	70	3.0	6.0	6.5-9.0	Alk.>Acid	1853	500	Monitor only	Measure When Sampling	-
II	-	-	-	-	6.0-9.0	-	1853	500	Monitor only	Measure When Sampling	0.5
III	-	-	-	-	6.0-9.0	-	1853	500	Monitor only	Measure When Sampling	-
IV	35	70	3.0	6.0	6.5-9.0	Alk.>Acid	1853	500	Monitor only	Measure When Sampling	-

- I Dry weather discharge (base flow or mine pumpage) from the outfall.
- II In accordance with 35 Ill. Adm. Code 406.110(a), any discharge or increase in the volume of a discharge caused by precipitation within any 24-hour period less than or equal to the 10-year, 24 hour precipitation event (or snowmelt of equivalent volume) shall comply with the indicated limitations instead of those in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 406.106(b). The 10-year, 24-hour precipitation event for this area is considered to be 4.62 inches.
- III In accordance with 35 Ill. Adm. Code 406.110(d), any discharge or increase in volume of a discharge caused by precipitation within any 24-hour period greater than the 10-year, 24-hour precipitation event (or snowmelt of equivalent volume) shall comply with the indicated limitations instead of those in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 406.106(b).
- IV Discharges continuing 24 hours after cessation of precipitation event that resulted in discharge. For outfalls which have no allowed mixing, monitoring requirements and permit limitations of Discharge Condition IV are identical to Discharge Condition I to which the outfall discharge has reverted.

- (1) Sulfate water quality standards and effluent limitations determined in accordance with 35 Ill. Adm. Code 302.208(h).
- (2) Settleable solids are monitored only as a result of a discharge due to precipitation events which exceed a predetermined 24-hour duration or snowmelt total. Settleable solids effluent limitations for alkaline mine discharges are contained in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 406.110.
- (3) Effluent standards for mine discharges are contained in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 406.106.
- (4) Discharges from Outfall 001 are subject to a 30-day average effluent limitation for Iron of 3.0 mg/L. Daily maximum effluent concentrations are calculated as twice the 30-day average.
- (5) Hardness monitoring is required to determine the appropriateness of the sulfate permit limit.

To assist you in identifying the location of the discharges, please refer to the attached map. The permit area for this facility is located in Section 29, Township 5 North, Range 10 West, 2nd P.M., Lawrence County, Illinois.

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Township 5 North, Range 10 West

