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Mining Operations Near Facilities (issued 6/9/89, updated 10/1/01)

§§4 VAC 25-130-816.180 and 4 VAC 25-130-817.180 of the regulations require that all surface coal and underground mining activities be conducted in a manner that minimizes damage, destruction, or disruption of services provided by oil, gas, and water wells; oil, gas, and coal slurry pipelines; railroads; electric and telephone lines; and water and sewage lines which pass over, under, or through the permit area, unless otherwise approved by the owner of those facilities and the Division.

As of August 1, 1989, permittees are required to provide advance notification to owners, the Division, and appropriate regulatory agencies exercising jurisdiction over the facilities prior to beginning operations within 300 feet of the facilities.