Surface Mine - Other Than Coal

FOR the purpose of clarifying the utilization of funds in the Surface Mined Land Reclamation Fund and to provide for certain waivers from the requirements of mining and reclamation plans.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources Section 7-6A04(a) and 7-6A19(b) Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 7-6A04(a) and 7-6A19(b) of Article - Natural Resources, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

7-6A04.

(a) All funds received by the Department from license fees, permit fees, the forfeiture of bonds and of cash deposits and securities, and fines collected upon conviction of an operator under §§ 7-6A06(c) and 7-6A07(f) shall be deposited to the credit of the State Treasurer in a bank he designates, and shall be maintained as a special fund on the books of the Comptroller of the treasury in an account, to be known as the "Surface Mined Land Reclamation Fund." This Fund shall be used by the Department for THE ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SUBTITLE, INCLUDING rehabilitating the area of land affected by the operation upon which liability was charged on the bond.

7-6A19.

The operator shall furnish with the mining and reclamation plan, in a reasonable manner satisfactory to the Department, an accurately surveyed topographic map, in duplicate, on a scale of not smaller than one inch equals 200 feet and with a contour interval cf spacing appropriate for the area, showing the location of the of land to be affected by mining, representative cross-sections. The surveyed topographic map and cross-sections shall be prepared and certified by a registered professional engineer or registered surveyor and snow the boundaries of the proposed affected land, together with the drainage area above and below the area, the location and names of all streams, roads, railroads, and utility lines on or immediately adjacent to the area, the outcrop line of any mineral deposit to be mined, the