(ii)  Type of planting;

(iii)  Date of planting;

(iv)  Area of land planted; and

(v)  Other    relevant    information    the
Department requires.

(2)  The Department shall  inspect the premises
within one month after  the  planting  report  is  filed  to
determine   if   the planting has been done in accordance with
the approved reclamation plan. If the Department  determines
that  the  reported  area has been  planted according to the
approved plan the report shall be approved.  If  the  report
is  approved,  the  operator  shall  be  responsible for the
successful revegetation of the reported area for a period of
5 full years after the approval unless liability is extended
by the Committee or Department to insure compliance with the
requirements of this  subtitle,  rules  and  regulations  or
permit conditions.  Not sooner than 2 years after the report
is  approved,  the  Department  may release a portion of the
revegetation bond in accordance with the requirements  of  §
7-506  of  this  subtitle.  However, the Department shall at
all times retain bonds in an  amount  sufficient  to  insure
reclamation  by  the Department in the event of forfeiture[,
which amount may not be less than $10,000].

7-514.6.

(a)  A person may not prospect unless the person first:

(1)  Submits to the Bureau the written consent of
the landowner or the owner of the mining rights;

(2)  Obtains the written approval of the  Bureau;
and

(3)  Files  with the Bureau a bond payable to the
State, conditioned  on  faithful  performance  of  the
requirements  of  this  section,  and in the amount that the
Secretary  determines  necessary  to  assure  completion  of
reclamation  and  revegetation.   THE  BUREAU  MAY  EXEMPT A
PERSON FROM THE BONDING REQUIREMENTS OF THIS  PARAGRAPH,  IF
THE BUREAU DETERMINES THAT THE PROSPECTING ACTIVITY PROPOSED
IN  THE  APPLICATION WILL NOT SUBSTANTIALLY DISTURB THE LAND
SURFACE.  ANY SUCH EXEMPTION SHALL BE IN  WRITTEN  FORM  AND
SHALL STATE THE REASON FOR THE EXEMPTION.


SECTION  2.   AND  BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act
shall take effect July 1, 1982.

Approved May 20, 1982.