

**RIGHT OF ENTRY AGREEMENT**

This RIGHT OF ENTRY is hereby granted, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_ (Grantor) to the Maryland Department of the Environment or its authorized agents (Grantee).

A. Grantor is the owner of a tract of land (Site) located at \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Maryland, and conveyed to Grantor by deed(s) recorded in the land records of \_\_\_\_\_ County as follows:

Liber _____,	Folio _____
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B. Under the laws of the State of Maryland and Surface Mining Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_, issued by Grantee, \_\_\_\_\_ (Permittee), or Permittee's authorized agent licensed to engage in surface mining within the State, may conduct a surface mining operation on the Site.

C. This Right of Entry grants Grantee the right to enter upon the Site at any reasonable time, after making a reasonable effort to notify Permittee or Grantor, during the period that Surface Mining Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_ is in effect and for a period of five years thereafter to inspect the condition of the Site. While on the property, Department personnel shall comply with all government regulations. If there is a forfeiture of performance bond by the Permittee, the Grantee may enter the Site and take any actions that are necessary to carry out any reclamation of the Site, which the Permittee has failed to complete.

D. Grantee is responsible for the negligent acts of its authorized agents only to the extent provided by the Maryland Tort Claims Act, Title 12, State Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland.

This grant of right of entry shall be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, assigns, and successors of the Grantor herein.

The Grantor and Permittee do solemnly swear or affirm that the facts stated herein are true. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

