14th Annual PA Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference August 2-4, 2012 Ramada Inn and Conference Center State College, PA

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CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

On behalf of the conference planning committee, the Western Pennsylvania Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation welcomes you to join us at the 14th Annual Pennsylvania Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference, August 2-4, 2012 at the Ramada Inn and Conference Center, State College, PA.

With the theme, "New Frontiers in Reclamation", this year's conference intends to explore innovative ways to achieve abandoned mine reclamation in Pennsylvania.

Times are changing and we've entered a new frontier in reclamation. Exciting opportunities abound with new and emerging treatment technologies in addition to partnership opportunities with the shale gas industry in utilizing abandoned mine drainage and mine pool water.

The conference will provide a forum for the dissemination of information and encourage discussions between industry, watershed groups, and decision makers that can help to further innovations in public policy, abandoned mine reclamation, remediation, and restoration.

The conference planning committee is currently working on the structure of the conference, the conference website, and a myriad of other details surrounding, what we believe will be, an informative and energizing conference.

Abstracts for presentations which revolve around this year's theme of "New Frontiers in Reclamation" are now being requested. Presentations illustrating the successes of working collaboratively with industry have particular relevance to this conference and are being solicited. If you have a presentation in mind that would be a fit and would like the conference planning committee to consider it, please submit an abstract of your presentation (no more than a half page as a Word document) with all pertinent contact information, to:

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Abstracts must be emailed by the close of business on April 30, 2012. The selection committee reserves the right to reject abstracts that are emailed after the deadline.

Visit the annual conference website, <u>www.treatminewater.com</u> to stay abreast of conference details. 2012 conference information will be posted soon.