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Random Compaction Testing at Permitted Facilities

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The Division of Mining and Reclamation (DMR) will be conducting random compaction testing, at permitted coal refuse impoundments throughout the State, over the next several weeks.

The purpose of the testing is to provide independent verification of the construction specifications associated with the coal refuse disposal permit.

Compactive effort, lift thickness, and moisture content of refuse materials being placed are all factors that directly affect resulting compaction and overall dam integrity.



DMR will not be providing any extended advanced notice of the inspections to specific facilities. However, general questions related to the testing should be directed to Luke O'Neal, Chief Engineer at:

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