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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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**COAL CONSERVATION AMENDMENT ACT, 1982**

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THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND  
NATURAL RESOURCES

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### **COAL CONSERVATION AMENDMENT ACT, 1982**

*(Assented to \_\_\_\_\_, 1982)*

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

*1 The Coal Conservation Act is amended by this Act.*

*2 Section 21 is amended by adding the following after subsection (2):*

(2.1) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the Minister of the Environment may direct that

- (a) an application, or
- (b) a type of application,

for a permit or licence or an amendment of a permit or licence specified by him be not referred to him.

(2.2) The Minister of the Environment may authorize an employee of his department to exercise the powers conferred on him by this section.

*3 Section 24 is amended by adding the following after subsection (2):*

(2.1) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the Minister of the Environment may direct that

- (a) an application, or
- (b) a type of application,

for an approval or an amendment of an approval specified by him be not referred to him.

## Explanatory Notes

1 This Bill will amend chapter C-14 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1980.

2 Section 21 presently reads:

*21(1) Before the Board issues a permit or licence pursuant to this Part, it shall refer the application to the Minister of the Environment for his approval of the application as it affects matters of the environment.*

*(2) The Minister of the Environment may give his approval with or without conditions, but when conditions are imposed, the Board shall, if it grants a permit or licence, make the permit or licence subject to the same conditions imposed by the Minister of the Environment when he gave his approval.*

*(3) When an application is made under section 10(1)(b) with respect to a mine or proposed mine that is or will be capable of producing more than 45 000 tonnes of coal per year by normal operations, the Board shall not grant the permit unless the Lieutenant Governor in Council has first authorized the granting of the permit.*

*(4) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make his authorization under subsection (3) subject to any terms and conditions he considers necessary or desirable.*

3 Section 24 presently reads:

*24(1) Before the Board issues an approval pursuant to this Part, it shall refer the application to the Minister of the Environment for his approval of the application as it affects matters of the environment.*

*(2) The Minister of the Environment may give his approval with or without conditions, but when conditions are imposed, the Board shall, if it grants an approval, make its approval subject to the same conditions imposed by the Minister of the Environment when he gave his approval.*

*(3) No approval relating to a coal processing plant capable of treating more than 45 000 tonnes of coal per year by normal continuous working shall be*

**(2.2) The Minister of the Environment may authorize an employee of his department to exercise the powers conferred on him by this section.**

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*In accordance with section 4(1) of the Interpretation Act, this Bill comes into force on the date it receives Royal Assent.*

*issued by the Board pursuant to this Part unless the Lieutenant Governor in Council has first authorized the issue of the approval.*

*(4) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make his authorization under subsection (3) subject to any terms and conditions he considers necessary or desirable.*