Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement Announces
Winners of the 2015 Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Awards

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement today announced the winners of the 2015 Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Awards, which honor the highest quality projects across the nation to reclaim abandoned coal mines.

The Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Awards recognize outstanding abandoned mine land reclamation projects carried out in the United States. The winners of the 2015 Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Awards are:

**National Award**
Lake Valley Mine Safeguard Project, Lake Valley, Sierra Country, New Mexico
New Mexico Abandoned Mine Land Program

**Small Project Award**
Lightner/Boston Coal Mine Erosion Control Project, Durango, Colorado
Colorado Division of Reclamation Mine and Safety

**Appalachian Region Award**
Simpson Northeast Coal Refuse Fire Fell Township, Lackawanna County, PA
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

**Mid-Continent Award**
AML Site 2052 Minnehaha Slurry Project, Sullivan County, Indiana
Indiana Department of Natural Resources

OSMRE will present the 2015 Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation awards at the Annual conference of the National Association of Abandoned Mine Land Programs in Santa Fe, New Mexico September 27-30, 2015.

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