

	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT DIRECTIVES SYSTEM	Subject Code: REG-34
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Subject: Processing Applications for Federal Permits		
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CHANGE NOTICE-RESCISSION		

1. **Purpose.** In compliance with paragraph 6(h) of Directive OPM-1, transmittal number 930 dated August 20, 2008, this notice rescinds Directive REG-34, Transmittal Number 591 dated January 9, 1990. Directive REG-34, Processing Applications for Federal Permits, outlined the basic procedures to assist employees of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) in the review and processing of applications for new permits for surface coal mining operations where OSM is the regulatory authority.

Review of Directive REG-34 concludes that the provisions contained in the Directive are no longer necessary and the substance of the Directive is readily available through regulations or other guidance outside of the Directives system.

2. **Summary of Changes.** Directive REG-34 is hereby rescinded.

3. **Effects on Other Documents.** This rescission notice applies to all previous editions of Directive REG-34.

10. **Effective Date.** Upon Issuance

11. **Distribution.** By electronic format

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