

**MURRAY OAK GROVE COAL, LLC  
CONCORD PREPARATION PLANT, P- 3233**

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**ALABAMA SURFACE MINING COMMISSION  
SURFACE MINING PERMIT APPLICATION**

**P A R T I**

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# STATE OF ALABAMA SURFACE MINING COMMISSION

- Transfer Application for a Surface Coal Mine  
 Transfer Application for an Underground Coal Mine  
 Transfer Application for a Preparation Facility

NAME OF CURRENT PERMITTEE Oak Grove Resources, LLC  
ADDRESS: 8360 Taylors Ferry Road, Huevtown AL 35023

## PART I A. IDENTIFICATION

### 1. PERMIT APPLICANT

Name: Murray Oak Grove Coal, LLC  
Street Address: 46226 National Road  
City: St. Clairsville State: OH Zip: 43950  
Mailing Address: 46226 National Road  
City: St. Clairsville State: OH Zip: 43950  
Telephone Number: (740) 338-3100  
Social Security Number (Voluntary): - - -  
Employer Identification Number: 83-419878  
ASMC License#: L-0872

### 2. ENTITY OR PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING ABANDONED MINE LAND RECLAMATION FEES

Name: Murray Oak Grove Coal, LLC  
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### 3. IDENTIFY THE OPERATOR FOR THIS MINE IF DIFFERENT FROM THE PERMITTEE

Name: SAME AS PERMITTEE  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: ( ) - -  
Social Security Number (Voluntary): - - -  
Employer Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
ASMC License#: \_\_\_\_\_

### 4. CONTACT PERSON FOR PERMIT REVIEW ISSUES AND CORRESPONDENCE

Name: McGehee Engineering, Corp.  
Mailing Address: P. O. Box 3431, 450 19th Street West  
City: Jasper State: AL Zip: 35502  
Telephone Number: (205) 221-0686  
Email Address: jwhitlock@mcgehee.org

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**PART I B. OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL**

**1. PERMIT APPLICANT OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL.**

At the time of filing of this application provide an update of all information contained in the applicant's license file or certify that the information contained in the license is accurate and complete. The updated information shall be submitted on Part I A through Part I F of the License application form. Check one of the following:

A license update is included.

Information contained in the license file is accurate and complete at the time of filing of this application.

Following notification that the permit appears eligible for issuance, the applicant must certify that all information in this application and the license file pertaining to ownership and control, surface mining history and violation history is still valid or the applicant must submit the appropriate update information.

**2. OPERATOR OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL.**

If someone other than the permittee has been identified as the operator under this permit, an update of the ownership and control information contained in the operator's license file must be provided or certify that the information contained in the license file is accurate and complete. The updated information shall be submitted on Part I A through Part I F of the License application form. Check one of the following:

A license update is included.

Information contained in the license file is accurate and complete at the time of filing of this application.

Following notification that the permit appears eligible for issuance, the applicant must certify that all information in this application and the license file pertaining to ownership and control, surface mining history and violation history is still valid or the applicant must submit the appropriate update information.

**3. CONTROL OF MINING OPERATION THROUGH CONTROL OF COAL TO BE MINED.**

Provide the information below for any person or entity who owns or controls the coal to be mined under this permit and who, by lease, sublease, or other contract:

A. has the right to receive the coal after mining, or,

B. has the authority to determine the manner in which the operator or permittee conducts surface coal mining operations.

(USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IN THE FORMAT BELOW IF NECESSARY)

Name: **Murray Oak Grove Coal, LLC**

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**PART I C. PROPERTY OWNERSHIP, INTERESTS AND RIGHTS**

**1. OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY TO BE MINED AND RIGHT OF ENTRY.**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

Show the property ownership boundaries of each parcel of land in the permit area on the permit map or an overlay of the same scale as the permit map. If the surface estate is severed from the mineral estate, show and describe the ownership of each estate separately. In the spaces below, identify:

1. Every current legal or equitable owner(s) of record (as found in a standard search of title) of the property;
2. The holders of record of any leasehold interest in the property; and,
3. Any purchaser of record under a real estate contract of the property.

Describe the basis of the applicant's legal right to enter and mine on all properties contained in the permit application. If the mineral estate has been severed from the surface estate, describe the basis of the legal right to enter and mine both the surface and mineral separately. Give the nature of such right (i.e. lease, deed, contract, etc.), where recorded, describe from whom, to whom, and the date executed and whether that right is the subject of pending litigation.

**USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IN THE FORMAT BELOW AS NECESSARY**

Legal description of property or permit map symbol: S-1

**(SEE PERMIT MAP)**

Surface/Mineral/or Fee Simple (both): SURFACE

Legal owner(s) of record: Murray Oak Grove Coal, LLC (FORMERLY Oak Grove Land Co, LLC.)

Address: 46226 National Road City: St. Clairsville State: OH Zip: 43950

Holders of leasehold interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchasers under a real estate contract: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of right to enter or mine:**

Describe the type of document or conveyance which grants the right of entry, disturbance or mining. Indicate from whom the right was acquired and to whom the right was granted. If the grantor of the right is not the owner(s) of property, identify all grantors and grantees of the right beginning with the owner(s) and ending with the permit applicant.

Describe Right of Entry(If deed indicate where recorded):	Granted From:	Granted To:	Date Granted:	Litigation Pending? (Yes or No) If yes,explain.
Deed Book/Page# 200362/4791	U.S. Steel Mining Company, LLC	Oak Grove Land Company, LLC	6-30-2003	NO
	Oak Grove Land Company, LLC	Oak Grove Resources, LLC	6-30-2003##	NO
DEED	OAK GROVE LAND COMPANY	MURRAY OAK GROVE COAL, LLC	PENDING	NO

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Legal description of property or permit map symbol: S-2

**(SEE PERMIT MAP)**

Surface/Mineral/or Fee Simple (both): SURFACE

Legal owner(s) of record: United States Steel Corp.

Address: P. O. Box 599 City: Fairfield State: AL Zip: 35064

Holders of leasehold interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchasers under a real estate contract: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of right to enter or mine:

Describe the type of document or conveyance which grants the right of entry, disturbance or mining. Indicate from whom the right was acquired and to whom the right was granted. If the grantor of the right is not the owner(s) of property, identify all grantors and grantees of the right beginning with the owner(s) and ending with the permit applicant.

Describe Right of Entry(If deed indicate where recorded):	Granted From:	Granted To:	Date Granted:	Litigation Pending? (Yes or No) If yes,explain.
Lease	U.S. Steel Mining Company, LLC	Oak Grove Resources, LLC	6-30-03	NO
Assignment	Oak Grove Resources, LLC	Murray Oak Grove Coal, LLC	Pending	NO

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Legal description of property or permit map symbol: S-3

**(SEE PERMIT MAP)**

Surface/Mineral/or Fee Simple (both): SURFACE

Legal owner(s) of record: Valley Creek Land and Timber, LLC

Address: c/o Clay Forestry Services, LLC 1300 Meadowbrook Rd. Suite 202 City: Jackson State: MS  
Zip: 39211

Holders of leasehold interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchasers under a real estate contract: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of right to enter or mine:

Describe the type of document or conveyance which grants the right of entry, disturbance or mining. Indicate from whom the right was acquired and to whom the right was granted. If the grantor of the right is not the owner(s) of property, identify all grantors and grantees of the right beginning with the owner(s) and ending with the permit applicant.

Describe Right of Entry(If deed indicate where recorded):	Granted From:	Granted To:	Date Granted:	Litigation Pending? (Yes or No) If yes, explain.
Deed Book/Page# 201462/22681	U.S. Steel Mining Company, LLC	Valley Creek Land and Timber, LLC	8-27-14	NO
Assignment	Oak Grove Resources, LLC	Murray Oak Grove Coal, LLC	Pending	NO

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**2. OWNERSHIP OF SURFACE AND MINERAL LANDS CONTIGUOUS TO THE AREA TO BE MINED.**  
**INSTRUCTIONS:**

Provide the information below for the owners of record of all surface and mineral properties contiguous to any part of the proposed permit area.

Name: Murray Oak Grove Coal, LLC  
Address: 46226 National Road  
City: St. Clairsville State: OH Zip: 43950  
Interest owned (Surface Coal or Fee Simple): SURFACE  
Type of Interest (Owner, Lease, or Other): OWNER

Name: Valley Creek Land and Timber, LLC  
Address: c/o Clay Forestry Services, LLC 1300 Meadowbrook Rd. Suite 202  
City: Jackson State: MS Zip: 39211  
Interest owned (Surface, Coal or Fee Simple): Surface  
Type of Interest (Owner, Lease, or Other): Owner

Name: U. S. Steel Corporation  
Address: P. O. Box 599  
City: Fairfield State: AL Zip: 35064  
Interest owned (Surface, Coal or Fee Simple): Surface  
Type of Interest (Owner, Lease, or Other): Owner

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**PART I C. (CONTINUED)**

**3. INTERESTS OR PENDING INTERESTS IN LANDS CONTIGUOUS TO THE PERMIT AREA.**  
**INSTRUCTIONS:**

THE APPLICANT HAS NO INTEREST IN ANY LANDS OR CONTIGUOUS LAND  
OTHER THAN THE PERMITTED AREA.

Give the legal description of all lands contiguous to the permit area for which the permit applicant:

1. Holds an interest,
2. Holds an option, or
3. Has made a bid for ownership, lease or other interest.

**USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IN THE FORMAT BELOW AS NECESSARY**

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Legal description: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the nature of the interest: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe the nature of the interest: \_\_\_\_\_



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**PART I D. PERMIT AREA INFORMATION**

1. Give the requested term of this permit: 5 years.
2. Give the legal description of the land upon which the applicant proposes to conduct surface coal mining operations. List each quarter-quarter section, section, township, range, and county.

NE/SE & SE/SE of Section 25, Township 18 South, Range 6 West; SE/NE, SW/NE, NE/SE, SE/SE, SW/SE & NW/SE of Section 21, SE/NE, SW/NE, NE/SE, SE/SE, SW/SE, NW/SE, NE/SW, SE/SW, SW/SW & SE/NW of Section 22, SE/NE, SW/NE, NE/SE, SE/SE, SW/SE, NW/SE, NE/SW, SE/SW, SW/SW, NW/SW, SE/NW & SW/NW of Section 23, SW/NW, NW/SW & SW/SW of Section 24, NE/NE, SE/NE, SW/NE, NW/NE, SW/SE, NW/SE, NE/SW, SE/SW, SW/SW, NW/SW, NE/NW, SE/NW, SW/NW & NW/NW of Section 26, NE/NE, SE/NE, SW/NE, NW/NE, NE/SE, SE/SE, NW/SE, NE/SW, NE/NW & SE/NW of Section 27, NE/NE, NW/NE, NE/NW, SW/NW & NW/NW of Section 28, SE/NE, SW/NE, NW/SE, NE/SW, NW/SW & SE/NW of Section 29, NE/SE, SE/SE, NW/SE, NE/SW & NW/SW of Section 30, NE/NE, NW/NE & NE/NW of Section 34, all in Township 18 South, Range 5 West, Jefferson County, Alabama.

3. Give the acreage of the permit, each increment and the type of bonding.

a. Total permit acreage: 1021 acres

b. Give the acreage and type of bond for each mining increment:

<u>Increment</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Type Bond Proposed</u>
1.	786	Surety
2.	72	Surety
3.	24	Surety
4.	114	Surety
5.	25	Surety

c. Identify the increment(s) on which mining will initially begin upon issuance of this permit: Inc. No. 1

4. Has any acreage in the proposed permit area been previously disturbed by mining? (XX) YES ( ) NO

If yes, supply the following for any and all previously disturbed areas:

- a. Show the boundaries of the previously disturbed area(s) on the permit map and identify with an appropriate symbol.
- b. List, for each area, the permit number under which it was disturbed and the number of acres. Indicate the status of each permit as Unreleased, Grading released, or 100% released. (If no permit, indicate as such)

<u>Permit</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Status</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

5. Is disturbance to be conducted within 300 feet, measured horizontally, from an occupied dwelling?

( ) YES (XX) NO.

If YES, attach a signed waiver from the owner of the dwelling indicating the minimum distance disturbance will be allowed by the owner.

6. Is disturbance proposed within 100 feet of a public road right-of-way or will a public road be closed or relocated?

( ) YES (XX) NO.

If YES, enclose a copy of the approval granted by the government entity which has jurisdiction over the road. The approval must state the minimum distance disturbance will be allowed to the road or road right-of-way.

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7. List all other licenses and permits required to conduct mining operations including, but not limited to, MSHA I.D. and NPDES. Give the identification or permit number, the name and address of the issuing authority, and the status or date of approval or issuance of each:

<b>Permit</b>	<b>ID or Permit Number</b>	<b>Issuing Authority</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Status or date of issuance</b>
<u>MSHA ID</u>	<u>01-00329</u>	<u>MSHA</u>	<u>3837 South US Hwy 25E Barbourville, KY 40906</u>	<u>Unknown</u>
<u>NPDES</u>	<u>AL0003620</u>	<u>ADEM</u>	<u>1400 Coliseum Blvd Montgomery, AL 36110</u>	<u>12/7/84</u>

8. Is the property in the permit covered by zoning or other land use restrictions? ( XX ) YES ( ) NO.  
If yes, indicate the jurisdictional authority and zoning or landuse restriction for the entire permit area. If more than one zoning classification exists for the permit area, identify the boundaries of each on the permit map.

<b>Jurisdictional Authority</b>	<b>Zoning Classification</b>	<b>Allows mining? Yes or No</b>
<u>Jefferson County</u>	<u>I-3S</u>	<u>Yes</u>

9. Describe access to the proposed mine from a known point on the nearest public highway:

See Original Permit

10. Did the applicant receive assistance from the Small Operator Assistance Program in preparing this application?  
( ) YES (XX) NO  
If YES, list SOAP I.D. Number: \_\_\_\_\_

11. Submit a certificate of proof of Liability Insurance with this application.

**PART I E. PUBLIC NOTICE AND AVAILABILITY FOR INSPECTION**

12. Give the name of the approved public office in which a copy of this application will be filed for public inspection following notification of completeness: Alabama Surface Mining Commission and Alabama Surface Mining Commission website <http://surface-mining.alabama.gov>

13. Enclose a copy of the notice of filing of this application which will appear in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the mine and identify the name of the newspaper: See Attachment I-E

**OAK GROVE RESOURCES, LLC  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE FILING OF PERMIT APPLICATION**

In accordance with the provision of Act No. 81-435 of the State of Alabama and the regulations promulgated under this act, Murray Oak Grove Coal, LLC, 46226 National Road, St. Clairsville, Ohio 43950 is filing an application to succeed by transfer to the rights granted under Surface Coal Mining Permit Concord Preparation Plant (P-3233) currently held by Oak Grove Resources, LLC, 8360 Taylors Ferry Road Hueytown, Alabama 35023. The mine is located in:

NE/SE & SE/SE of Section 25, Township 18 South, Range 6 West; SE/NE, SW/NE, NE/SE, SE/SE, SW/SE & NW/SE of Section 21, SE/NE, SW/NE, NE/SE, SE/SE, SW/SE, NW/SE, NE/SW, SE/SW, SW/SW & SE/NW of Section 22, SE/NE, SW/NE, NE/SE, SE/SE, SW/SE, NW/SE, NE/SW, SE/SW, SW/SW, NW/SW, SE/NW & SW/NW of Section 23, SW/NW, NW/SW & SW/SW of Section 24, NE/NE, SE/NE, SW/NE, NW/NE, SW/SE, NW/SE, NE/SW, SE/SW, SW/SW, NW/SW, NE/NW, SE/NW, SW/NW & NW/NW of Section 26, NE/NE, SE/NE, SW/NE, NW/NE, NE/SE, SE/SE, NW/SE, NE/SW, NE/NW & SE/NW of Section 27, NE/NE, NW/NE, NE/NW, SW/NW & NW/NW of Section 28, SE/NE, SW/NE, NW/SE, NE/SW, NW/SW & SE/NW of Section 29, NE/SE, SE/SE, NW/SE, NE/SW & NW/SW of Section 30, NE/NE, NW/NE & NE/NW of Section 34, all in Township 18 South, Range 5 West, Jefferson County, Alabama.

A copy of the permit application is available for public inspection and review on the Alabama Surface Mining Commission website <http://surface-mining.alabama.gov>. A copy of the permit application is also available for public inspection and review at the office of the Alabama Surface Mining Commission located on the second floor of the Pinnacle Bank Building at 1811 2nd Avenue, Jasper, Alabama 35501. Written comments, objections, request for public hearing or request for informal conferences concerning this permit should be sent to the Alabama Surface Mining Commission, P.O. Box 2390, Jasper, Alabama 35502-2390, no later than 30 days from the last date of publication of this notice.

**TO THE BIRMINGHAM NEWS:**

Please run this notice one time as soon as possible. Please send invoice and notarized proof of publication to:

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