



# Mineral Titles

## *Information Update*

### No. 37 – Coal Information and Data Reporting Required Under the *Coal Act*

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The *Coal Act* (Act) and Coal Act Regulation (Regulation) set out requirements for clients to apply for coal licences and coal leases. Upon issuance of coal tenure, one of the requirements of a tenure holder is to submit annual coal information and data to the Province.

[Section 8\(1\)](#) of the Act requires that information and data must be submitted to the minister respecting the exploration, development and production of coal. A coal licence is valid for a term of one year from the date of its issue. To extend the term of the licence for a further one year term, an application must be made before the licence expires and the application must be accompanied by the prescribed rent, as well as the information and data required under section 8(1) of the Act. The same information and data required under section 8(1) is also required for leases and freehold coal annually, as described below.

Information and data must be submitted as follows:

- For a **licence** extension, with the application for extension;
- For a **lease**, on or before the anniversary date of the lease in each year;
- For a person exploring for or developing coal on **freehold land**, on or before March 31 in each year;
- For a **licence** or **lease** that expires, is surrendered or is cancelled, not more than 90 days after the date of the expiry, surrender or cancellation.

The specific information and data requirements are set out in [section 3](#) of the Regulation. The information and data must be prepared by, or under the supervision of, a professional engineer or professional geoscientist qualified in the subject matter of the submission.

Guidance on the preparation and submission requirements of a coal assessment report which contains the required information and data is provided at the following website:

[http://www.empr.gov.bc.ca/Mining/Geoscience/Coal/Pages/Reporting\\_Information.aspx](http://www.empr.gov.bc.ca/Mining/Geoscience/Coal/Pages/Reporting_Information.aspx)

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Reports can be:

- hand-delivered to the Security Desk, 1810 Blanshard St, Victoria, BC, V8T 4J1;
- emailed to [Mineral.Titles@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mineral.Titles@gov.bc.ca)  
subject: Coal Assessment Report (Project name, Tenure Numbers)
- sent by mail (recommend Registered Mail) to:  
Mineral Titles Branch, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1810 Blanshard St, Victoria, BC, V8T 4J1

Any questions with regards to this information update can be directed to:

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