



**COALEX STATE INQUIRY REPORT - 80**  
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**TOPIC:** DEFINITION OF "APPROXIMATE ORIGINAL CONTOUR"

**INQUIRY:** Survey cases and Federal Register notices discussing the definition of "approximate original contour" (AOC) appearing in 30 C.F.R. Sec. 701.5 and Sec. 701(2) of SMCRA.

**SEARCH RESULTS:** Copies of COALEX REPORTS 1, 16, and 56 and accompanying documentation dealing with the definition of AOC, along with an excerpt from 50 FR 41164 were forwarded in response to the search request.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

- A. COALEX STATE INQUIRY REPORT - 1 and accompanying documents.
- B. COALEX STATE INQUIRY REPORT - 16 and accompanying documents.
- C. COALEX STATE INQUIRY REPORT - 56 and accompanying documents.
- D. Excerpt from 50 FR 41164 (NOVEMBER 24, 1986).