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BOND RELEASE Permit Number

897-0628 accordance with provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Cardinal Reclamation Company, LLC., 101 Market Street, P. O. Box 305, Cadiz, Ohio 43907-0305, has applied for Phase II and III bond release on Increment Number 1 and a Phase III bond release on Increment Number 32 on Permit Number 897-0628, which was last issued on March 08, 2022. The application covers an area of approximately 1067.6 acres. It is located approximately 2.65 miles southwest of Chavies, Kentucky in Perry and Leslie Counties. The permit area is located approximately 2.46 miles southwest of Ky Route 28's junction with Ky Route 1833 and located near Lick Branch. The operation is located on the Krypton USGS 7 ½ minute quadrangle

For Increment Num-1, the current bond is \$51,200, and this total bond amount is included in the apFor Increment Number 32, the current bond is \$34,900, and this total bond amount is included in the application for release. Reclamation work performed includes backfilling, grading, seeding, and mulching that was completed during the summer of 2009.

Written comments. objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, 300 Sower Boulevard, Second Floor, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601-6571 by Friday, January 16,

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 10:00 a. m. at the Department for Natural Resources Hazard Regional Office, 556 Village Lane, P.O. Box 851, Hazard. Kentucky 41702-0851. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by Friday, January 16, 2026.

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## Watch Out for Fraud While Holiday Shopping

(StatePoint) While gifts are being wrapped and lights are being hung, fraudsters are devising ways to leverage the holidays to scam you out of your money. Because an urgency to buy gifts and find deals make the season a time of high risk, it is more important than ever to exercise caution and to know that scams can come in-person, by phone, by email, by text or even via social media.

Last year, Darktrace researchers detected a 692% increase in Black Friday-themed phishing attacks in late November, where fraudsters sent emails to trick people into taking certain actions, and Visa identified a 284% increase in fake and spoofed merchant websites in the four months leading up to the holiday season. A Norton Cyber Safety survey found that around a third of Americans have been targeted by a holiday shopping scam, and around half of those targeted actually fell victim.

What are some of the most prevalent seasonal scams?

Gift Card Scams. Pre-paid gift cards can be taken off the rack, drained of the funds and then repackaged, meaning you buy a gift card that has no value. Criminals attempting to scam you may also ask for payment via gift card, realizing payment is instant and your money will be irretrievable.

Package Scams. Scammers may make false claims about a returned package or other delivery issues to convince you to give them personal information. Criminals may even go as far as sending a package you didn't order to force you to engage with them with an aim to elicit your personal information or a payment.

False Claims. Holiday fraud attempts are often made by making false claims that either a credit card was declined or that you are owed a refund of some sort, prompting you to engage and provide information.

Online Scams. Fake online shopping websites and too-good-to-be-true sales or offers are widely promoted by email and on social media. A lot of these deals will highlight a limited window of opportunity to force immediate action and create a sense of urgency.

Charity Scams. Scammers create phony charities to exploit the generosity of people during the season of giving by creating professional and legitimate-looking material online, complete with branding, photos and compelling stories.

Here are some ways to help protect yourself and your wallet:

- Be Suspicious. Maintain awareness that there are a lot of fake offers and false claims during the holiday season and take the time to carefully investigate anyone you don't know who contacts you or sends packages and asks for your personal or payment information.
- Stay Alert. Check gift cards to make sure the PINs aren't exposed with the coverings already scratched off before you purchase them. Keep track of your accounts and flag any suspicious transactions for your financial services provider or bank. If needed, freeze your account and have cards reissued. Setting up alerts with your bank enables them to flag these issues for you, too.
- Don't Rush. Even if the deal or gift offered online or on social media seems like a great value, pause before clicking. Research the organization and stick with trusted brands and points of sale when making purchases whenever possible.
- Check Charities. Research charities before giving by utilizing a reliable charity checking site like Charity Navigator, Charity Watch or Guide-Star.

For more information on best practices to help prevent fraud, visit PNC's Security and Privacy Center.

## 5 Financial Moves to Make Right Now

(StatePoint) Smart money decisions can give you a head start on the future you want! Whether you're newly graduated or well into vour career, CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER® professionals say you should make these five financial moves right now: Create a bud-

Research get. finds that 83% of Gen Z-ers millennials have experienced regret about their spending decisions. Crafting a budget means making mindful choices about how you spend money, your which can eliminate financial stress. However, if the term "budget" fills you with dread, try calling it a "spending plan" instead. The important thing is to get started and find a process that works

for you.

cording to the **Federal Reserve** Board, only 55% of Americans had three months' worth of expenses in emergency savings in 2024. In the event of an unexpected expense, such as hospitalization home pairs, a rainyday fund can save you from accumulating debt or dipping retirement savings. A CFP® professional can help you adjust your budget to divert savings emergency an fund to cover at least three to six months' worth of fixed expens-

Start saving retirement now. It's never too early to begin saving for comfortable retirement. If your employer offers a retirement savings plan, sign up for it now and put as much in as you can, especially if your company offers matching contributions. You don't need an employer-sponsored plan to save for your golden years, though. Tradi-

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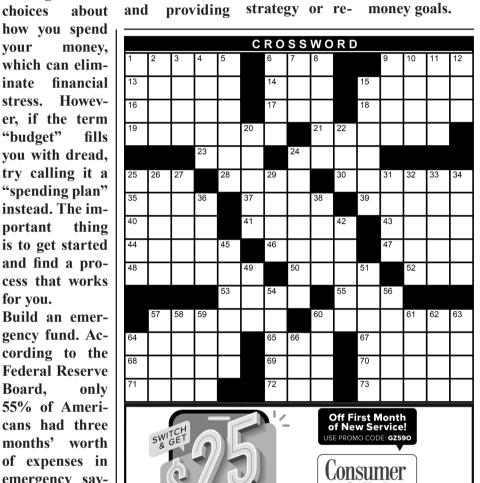
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