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The Colchester Coal underlies much of Illinois as well as Fig. 1 portions of western Indiana and western Kentucky. The coal crops out along the margins of the Illinois Basin and reaches Indiana a maximum depth in Illinois of about 1,500 feet. (See Fig 1 and Fig 2) The Colchester Coal and its overlying black shale, Colchester Coal the Mecca Quarry Shale are part of the Carbondale forma-

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Coal Thickness Surface Mine

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