

State of Utah

Department of Natural Resources

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Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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Permitee: Operator:

Site: SPECIAL PROJECT

Address: ,

County: **OTHER**

Permit Type: Permit Status:

JON M. HUNTSMAN, JR. *Governor*

GARY R. HERBERT Lieutenant Governor

Representative	es Present During the Inspection:
OGM	Priscilla Burton Environmental Scientist III
OGM	Steve Demczak Environmental Scientist III

Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C9999999		
Inspection Type:	COURTESY		
Inspection Date:	Wednesday, September 28, 2005		
Start Date/Time:	9/28/2005 2:45:00 PM		
End Date/Time:	9/28/2005 3:30:00 PM		
Last Inspection:	Monday, September 12, 2005		

Inspector: Priscilla Burton, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: partly cloudy, 70
InspectionID Report Number: 753

Accepted by: whedberg 11/7/2005

Current Acreages	Mineral Ownership	Types of Operations
Total Permitted	☐ Federal	☐ Underground
Total Disturbed	☐ State	Surface
Phase I	County	Loadout
Phase II	☐ Fee	Processing
Phase III	Other	Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The DTE Utah Synfuels, LLC site is located at 4722 South 2000 East; Carbon County, UT. As a follow-up to June 15, 2005 inspection, the Division is evaluating the operations being conducted at the site and their relationship to other permitted and unpermitted sites. In addition to the Price Field Office inspectors listed below, the following persons from the Division were present during this inspection: Mary Ann Wright, Steve Alder, Kelly Beard, Vicki Southwick. Caroline Depp, Environmental Engineer, represented DTE Energy (parent company to DTE Utah Synfuels) and Talmadge Fillingim represented DTE Utah Synfuels, LLC.

Inspector's Signature	Date	Monday, October 03, 2005

Priscilla Burton, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 37

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
 - b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
 Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	\checkmark		✓	
2.	Signs and Markers				
3.	Topsoil				
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions				
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments				
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures				
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring				
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	✓		✓	
5.	Explosives				
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches				
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments				
8.	Noncoal Waste				
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues				
10.	Slides and Other Damage				
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation				
12.	Backfilling And Grading				
13.	Revegetation				
14.	Subsidence Control				
15.	Cessation of Operations				
16.8	a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing				
16.	Roads: Drainage Controls				
17.	Other Transportation Facilities				
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations				
19.	AVS Check				
20.	Air Quality Permit	✓		✓	
21.	Bonding and Insurance				
22.	Other	✓		✓	

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1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

A 1996 findings document exempted the former Covol Synfuels site from permitting by DOGM. The findings were based on the facts that Covol did not own or operate or control any coal mining operation; that the Synfuels plant is not located at a mine site; that the briquetting of pellets for industrial fuel was associated with an end use; that the facility would receive materials from various sources and operate independent of any given mine; that the facility would purchase coal fines from various entities and then remarket and resell the processed fines; and that there was not an economic tie between the site and any given mine. The 1996 findings document ends with the caveat, "If the nature of Covol's activity changes, revised findings or other conclusions may be necessary. .."

Mr. Fillingim explained the process and walked us through the site. The incoming coal is crushed and screened. The 2 minus size is conveyed into the plant and treated with Covol 298 (a liquid). The product dries as it is conveyed to the stockpile outside. A radial stacker separates the treated coal by mine of origin. The mine of origin determines where to truck the treated product. Trucks are on contract.

4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations

Storm water discharge permit UTR000421 issued November 28, 2001 to DTE Utah Synfuels L.L.C.

20. Air Quality Permit

DAQE-1192-97 issued 12/22/1997 to DTE Utah Synfuels, L.L.C.

22. Other

MHSA inspects and regulates this site; since the facilities conducts crushing and screening of coal. Mr. Demczak was told by non-DTE people that DTE buys the coal, processes it, and then sells the coal for a lower price, but keeps or shares the tax credits. DTE Utah Synfuels must buy the coal to receive the tax credit. The processed coal is bought by Utah Power.