



## State of Utah

### Department of Natural Resources

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December 30, 2005

TO: John R. Baza, Director

THRU: Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director, Mining

FROM: Pamela Grubaugh-Littig, Permit Supervisor

RE: Coal Bond Status Report as of December 30, 2005

Attached is a copy of the current active coal bond status report. Presently, the coal program has a total of \$67,921,566 in various forms of reclamation bonds. Also attached is historical bond information.

Corporate Sureties	(31)	\$61,014,565	>	90%
Irrevocable Letters of Credit	(3)	\$3,564,000	>	5%
Government Securities	(2)	\$3,001,001	>	4%
Real Property	(1)	<u>\$ 342,000</u>	>	1%
		\$67,921,566		

NOTE: The Division issued the Determination to Forfeit at the White Oak Mine on May 1, 2003. Chapter 7 was filed by Lodestar Energy, Inc. on July 15, 2003. The Division negotiated with the Bankruptcy Trustee and Frontier Insurance to stabilize this site. The amount of \$999,000 was escrowed from Frontier Insurance Company on October 3, 2003. Ledcor (the Frontier contractor) started work at the White Oak Mine on October 13, 2003. Ledcor (the contractor for Frontier) left the site for the winter on December 17, 2003. Reclamation work at the White Oak Loadout is being done by the Mark Wayment group. On August 18, 2004, Lodestar trustee Bill Bishop filed the master settlement between various parties (including Renco and Wexford and Congress and the Debtors' Trustee) for reclamation in a "General Settlement Fund" outside of the Lodestar bankruptcy estate. Utah received \$1.217 million

dollars as part of this Settlement Agreement. The contract with the Frontier contractor, Ledcor, was terminated by the Division and on September 8, 2004. A total amount of \$318,128.60 was requested for transfer to the state of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, for the sole benefit of reclamation of the Lodestar Energy, Inc.'s Whiskey Creek Mine as a result of the termination of this contract. VCM contractors were awarded the contract for reclamation at the Whiskey Creek Mine. Reclamation work started on October 4, 2004 and the contractor had to leave the site due to weather conditions on November 4, 2004. VCM returned to work on June 13, 2005 and reclamation was completed on November 1, 2005. The loadout reclamation was completed on November 4, 2005.

The AMR program "administered" this reclamation work.

Forfeiture sites reclaimed: Blazon (October 4, 2000), Sunnyside Mine (July 1, 1999), Summit #1 (November 20, 1997), Boyer Mine (April 17, 1997), and Black Jack #1 Mine (November 1992). J.B. King Mine received final bond release on March 24, 2000 and Trail Canyon Mine on December 28, 2000. Three bonds were fully released during the second quarter of 1998: Knight Mine (April 21, 1998), Gordon Creek #3 & #6 Mine, and Huntington #4 Mine (both on May 22, 1998).

Attachment

cc: Wayne Hedberg  
Price Field Office  
Public Information Center  
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COAL BONDS

NAME Of Project Permit Number	Disturbed Surface Acres	Present Bond Amount (Year Dollars)	Type of Bond Posted	Principal Holder* (Best's Rating) 2005	Year Date Posted (Ridered)	Cost per Acre	Comments
Castle Gate Holding Company Castle Gate Mine C/007/004	63	\$680,154 (2009)	Surety	Travelers Casualty & Surety Co. #104329369  (A+)	07/30/04	\$10,796	Increased to \$4,415,505 on 10/3/94; Reclamation Agreement Submitted 1/95. Ridered 2/6/96. Phase I Bond Release of \$400,775 on 1/31/97. Ridered 9/9/97 from \$6,757,451. Ridered to Castle Gate Holding Company, permit transferred on 9/13/98. Three replacement bonds submitted and accepted on 7/1/99, (\$601,333 Each, \$1,804,000 total). Ridered on 4/10/01 to \$1,071,000 for Phase II bond release at Hardscrabble and Sowbelly. Approved Phase II Bond Release on 6/5/03 in the amount of \$390,846 - \$680,154 remaining Ridered on 7/8/03. The three bonds with St. Paul Fire and Insurance, Travelers and Insurance Company of the State of PA were released, effective July 30, 2004 – replaced with one Travelers bond in the amount of \$680,154.
Canyon Fuel Co, LLC Skyline Mine C/007/005	74.31	\$5,076,000 (2004)	Surety	St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co 400SA1919 (A)	05/18/00	\$68,308	Original Bond Amount - \$1,850,500 (6/20/89); Bonds replaced 7/30/90; Rider added 3/15/90; Rider added 6/9/92; Transferred from Costal Energy to Canyon Fuel Co. LLC on 12/20/96. \$6,140,000 agreed on 6/23/97, to be posted by 7/28/97. Conference held. Bond re-adjusted to \$5,076,000 (2001), and posted 10/23/97. Replaced surety 6/1/98, new parent ARCH Western Resources. Replaced surety 5/18/00. Liberty Mutual released on 5/8/01. Cost revised to \$4,697,000 in 2004 dollars on 4/03. Costs being revised as part of midterm in 2006.

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Plateau Mining Corp. Star Point Mine C/007/006	173.2	\$3,118, 400 (2004)	Surety	Travelers Casualty & Surety Ins. Co. #104329368 (A+)	07/01/99 11/10/04	\$18,004	Reclamation Agreement Signed 11/2/90; Ridered "termination" language 9/91; Increased to \$5,180,000 (1996) on 4/27/94. Increased to \$10,581,000 on 9/24/98. Three replacement bonds submitted and accepted on 7/1/99, (\$3,527,000 each, \$10,581,000 total ). Temporary cessation effective on 2/11/00. Permanent cessation on 6/5/00. Reclamation Agreement resigned on 6/5/03. Star Point Waste Fuel permitted on 11/14/03. Bond reduced to \$7,796,000 (\$2,875,000 reduction) on 12/4/03, ridered on 1/12/04. The three bonds with St. Paul Fire and Insurance, Travelers and Insurance Company of the State of PA were released, effective July 30, 2004 – replaced with one Travelers bond in the amount of \$7, 796,000. Phase I bond release was approved effective 10/21/2004. The bond was reduced from \$7,796,000 to \$3, 118, 400 on November 10, 2004.
Hiawatha Coal Company Hiawatha Mine Complex C/007/011	290	\$2,838,000 (2002)	Irrevocable Letter of Credit	Bank One, Arizona S 005519	12/12/97	\$9,786	Permit transferred from U.S. Fuel Company to Hiawatha Coal Company on 12/12/97. ILOC evergreen clause added 4/23/03. Costs may be revised in bond releases.
NEICO Wellington Prep. Plant C/007/012	392	\$4,904,000 (1999)	Surety	Fidelity and Deposit Co. of Maryland #4013097 (A)	01/12/2000	\$12,510	Permit Transfer to Genwal 10/10/89; Permit Transfer to Castle Valley Resources 12/5/91; Rider added 5/27/93 Transferred to NEICO 4/18/94. Bond ridered 3/29/94 & 9/09/94 from \$3,279,000. Ridered to \$6,036,000 on 9/18/95. Ridered to \$4,904,000 (Division approved bond amount change on 2/18/98.) Safeco bond (#5612988) replaced on 1/12/2000. Reclamation cost will be revised at renewal in 2004. Reclamation Agreement signed again on 5/26/03. Costs will be revised as part of the midterm in 2007.

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UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. Horse Canyon Mine C/007/013	102.37	\$1,061,328 (2003)  \$1,556,000 (2003)	Surety	Lincoln General Insurance Company # SUR004892 (A-) XL Specialty Insurance Company SB9905586 (A+)	09/18/98 (1/4/01) (7/23/02) 7/20/01	\$27,440	IPA Acquired Horse Canyon Mine 4/5/90; Permit issued 5/6/91; Bond increased 5/3/91. Phase I Bond release on 2/5/97 in the amount of \$812,276, and revised on 2/19/97. Permit transferred from IPA to UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. on 12/22/98. ILOC released 1/5/99. Increased to \$1, 253,000 for permit renewal. \$1,556,000 issued for Lila Canyon addition (total = \$2,809,000). Phase II released \$191,672 on 4/11/02.
Mountain Coal Co. Gordon Creek #2, 7 & 8 C/007/016	17.58	\$641,443 (1989)	Surety	St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co. #400KB056-CO (A)	05/17/00	\$36,487	\$45,000 was released. Ridered "termination" language 9/91. 1989 dollars. Mine closed 1990. Structures removed. Reclamation started 9/29/95, continued during 1996. Completed in fall 1997, but some work in spring 1998. Replaced surety on 6/1/98, new parent ARCH Western Resources, Inc. Replaced surety 5/18/00. Released Liberty Mutual on 5/8/01. Phase I bond release on 10/9/03 for \$384,865 (\$256,578 remains) No rider to date. Phase III at Sweet's Pond on 10/9/03.
Canyon Fuel Co. LLC Soldier Canyon Mine C/007/018	21.82	\$1,593,000 (2009)	Surety	St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co. 400SA1918 (A)	05/18/00 10/13/2004	\$148,396	Increased from \$577,000 5/2/91; Increased in conjunction with renewal includes waste rock, not built yet. Transferred to Coastal 9/15/93. Previously \$1,940,000, 1991 dollars. (Bond posted 12/3/93) . \$30,000 posted on 03/13/95 for Dugout Creek exploration. Transferred from Soldier Creek Coal Co. to Canyon Fuel Co, LLC on 12/20/96. Surety replaced 6/1/98, new parent ARCH Western Resources, Inc. Temporary cessation effective on 3/25/99. Amount currently under review as part of the midterm. Replaced Surety 5/18/00. Exhibit A corrected and Liberty Mutual released on 5/8/01. Bond reduced due to refuse pile removed, escalated for midterm to \$1,593,000 – ridered on 10/13/2004
Andalex Resources Centennial Project C/007/019	35.27	\$381,839 \$699,000 (2009)	Surety Surety	Utica Mutual Insurance SU34593 & SU1354086 (A-)	5/16/83 7/3/90 (2/23/93)	\$30,645	Ridered to increase to \$1,080,839 on 7/3/90. Amount revised to \$820,000 in 4/03. Midterm revised bond amount to \$918,000 in 2009 dollars in 9/04.

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Hidden Splendor Resources, Inc. Horizon Mine C/007/020	9.5	\$57,000	Irrevocable Letter of Credit	Bank One 00335483	5/14/03	\$36,000	Permit transferred from Lodestar Energy to Hidden Splendor Resources on 7/1/03. Amended on 8/11/03 from \$342,000 to \$57,000. Real property posted on 8/11/03.
		\$342,000 (2004 dollars)	Real Property	American Towers	8/11/03		
Savage Industries, Inc. Savage Coal Terminal C/007/022	122	\$2,525,000 (2007)	Surety	Liberty Mutual Insurance Company (965-003-641) (A)	12/09/03	\$20,697	Ridered "termination" language 9/91. Permit reissued 5/2/94; Bond Ridered on 9/22/94. Savage & Mtn. Coal Co., co-principals. Revised to \$2,525,000 (2001 dollars) on 9/18/97. Replaced Savage bond on 12/09/97. National Fire Insurance Co of Hartford cancelled on 12/9/02. American Manufacturer's issued on 12/9/02, had a B+ rating. Sent letter to have new bond by 5/26/03. National Fire Insurance Co bond reinstated to 12/9/02. Cost revised to \$2,232,000 in 4/03 in 2007 dollars. Bond replaced on 2/27/04, effective 12/9/03.
Andalex Resources, Inc. Wildcat Loadout Facility C/007/033	63.7	\$651,000 (2006)	Irrevocable Letter of Credit	PNC Bank S262710PGH	12/10/03	\$12,775	Changed from Pittsburgh National Bank in 4/92; Replaced ILOC 12/9/92. By letter dated 9/5/97, can reduce bond to \$698,000 in 2000 year dollars. Bond updated to \$651,000 in 2006 dollars in 2003. Released Continental Casualty Company bond #400776222 on 1/30/04.
Canyon Fuel Co, LLC Banning Siding Loadout C/007/034	21.6	\$350,000 (2006)	Surety	St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co. 400SA1916 (A)	05/18/00	\$16,204	Transfer to Coastal States 9/15/93. Increased from \$211,000 to \$350,000 on 12/12/95. Transferred from Soldier Creek Coal Co. to Canyon Fuel Co. LLC on 12/20/96. Surety replaced 6/1/98, ARCH Western Resources, Inc. Temporary cessation on 3/7/00. Replaced surety 5/18/00 from Liberty Mutual Ins. Co. Exhibit A corrected and Liberty Mutual release on 5/8/01.

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Sunnyside Cogeneration Associates Sunnyside Refuse & Slurry C/007/035	202	\$1,775,000 (2009)	Collateral	Treasury Securities	1/16/02 12/13/2005	\$8,649	Permit Issued 2/4/93; ILOC (S-09742-00018) Replaced with Surety on 4/21/94. Continuation certificate 3/30/96 - 3/30/97 for bond #35790. Bond amount increased to \$2,094,000. Per Division Order required by 10/22/96 but not posted to date. Ridered to \$1,900,000 on 12/04/96. Frontier determined insolvent on 10/15/01. Demand letter sent 11/13/01 to replace Frontier Insurance Co. by 1/16/02. Replaced on January 10, 2002 with Treasury Securities (Wells Fargo is the escrow agent.) Bond amount = \$1,720,000. This amount was increased to \$1,775,000 on December 13, 2005.
Plateau Mining Corp. Willow Creek Mine C/007/038	132.9	\$7,866,000 (2004)	Surety	Travelers Casualty & Surety Ins. Co. #104329637 (A+)	07/01/99	\$59,187	Permit issued 4/23/96. Three replacement bonds submitted and accepted on 7/1/99, (\$3,983,069 each, \$11,949,205 total ). Temporary cessation on 12/11/00. Ridered on 1/21/02 from \$11,949,000 to \$7,866,000 due to more detailed reclamation costs. Permanent cessation on 9/6/2002. Reclamation Agreement resigned on 6/5/03. The three bonds with St. Paul Fire and Insurance, Travelers and Insurance Company of the State of PA were released, effective July 30, 2004 – replaced with one Travelers bond in the amount of \$7,866,000.
Canyon Fuel Co., LLC Dugout Canyon Mine C/007/039	22.65	\$2,400,000 (2007)	Surety	St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co. 400SA1917 (A)	05/18/00 (3/18/04)	\$105,033	Original exploration bond posted 12/95 by St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company. (Bond #JP1277). Permit issued 3/16/98. Surety replaced 6/1/98, ARCH Western Resources, Inc. Increased to \$3,682,000 on 10/13/98 for Phase II. Annual Exploration. Released exploration bond # 14-000- 068-0008-UT for Dugout exploration on 6/5/00 for \$30,000. Replaced surety 5/18/00. Liberty Mutual released on 5/8/01. Bond reduced from \$3,682,000 to \$1,645,000 by letter dated September 5, 2002 due to detailed earthwork calculations. Bond ridered to \$2,400,000 on 3/18/04 with new Exhibit A.
West Ridge Resources, Inc. West Ridge Mine C/007/041	29	\$2,117,000 (2006)	Surety	National Union Fire Insurance Co. of Pittsburgh, PA 21-60-38(A++)	03/19/99	\$73,000	Permit issued 4/1/99. Mining plan approval 6/30/99.

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Sunnyside Cogeneration Association Star Point Refuse Mine C/007/042	88.78	\$1,254,000 (2008 dollars)	Collateral	Treasury Securities	11/12/03		Permit issued 11/14/03. Treasury Securities posted 11/12/03.
Consolidation Coal Co. Hidden Valley Mine C/015/007	6.7	\$95,501 (2004)	Surety	Seaboard Surety #331474 (A)	10/13/95 (1/8/97)	\$14,254	Original Bond Amount-\$171,515. Phase I Bond Release effective 7/17/88. Permit transferred 11/2/95 from Hidden Valley Coal Company to Consolidation Coal Company. Ridered to \$95,501 on 1/8/97.
PacifiCorp Trail Mountain Mine C/015/009	24.78	\$1,254,000 (2007)	Surety	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America 1039089971 (A+)	9/01/94	\$50,605	Federal Mine Approval Tract 1 & 2 Transfer effective 11/23/87; Federal Lease Tract approved 5/15/91; Ridered "termination" language 9/91; Ridered increased amount and disturbance on 4/28/92 (from \$463,711 and 8.8 acres). Transferred from Mountain Coal Company to PacifiCorp 11/13/92. Ridered 8/3/93 to increase amount due to increased disturbance; Replaced 9/01/94. (\$834,228 - year 1999 dollars bond estimate, found adequate on 3/15/00.) Bond amount is under review. Temporary cessation on 5/2/01. St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co. #400JV3710 bond still needs to be released.
Consolidation Coal Co. Emery Deep Mine C/015/015	247	\$2,208,000 (2009)	Surety	Seaboard Surety #188617 (A)	12/11/85 (5/3/91)	\$13,986	Temporary cessation since 1990 to 2002. Commenced work on 4 <sup>th</sup> East Portal on 6/4/2002. Bond includes mine and preparation plant area. New bond amount of \$2,212,000 approved on 12/22/03. Ridered on 12/22/04 (removed prep plant, refuse/slurry pon, more precise reclamation costs) to \$2,208,000.
PacifiCorp Des-Bee-Dove Mine C/015/017	23.88	\$1,837,712 (2008)	Surety	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America 10377512 (A+)	9/1/94	\$76,956	New Bond Submitted for PacifiCorp 12/90; Ridered "termination" language 9/91; Replaced 9/1/94. (\$1,553,638 - year 2000 dollars bond estimate.) Started reclamation in fall of 1999. St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co.#400JN6139 still needs to be released.



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PacifiCorp Deer Creek Mine C/015/018	95.8	\$4,113,000 (2008)	Surety	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America 103908970 (A+)	9/1/94	\$31,315	Waste Rock Storage Added 9/88; Original Bond Amount - \$1,224,000; New Bond Submitted for PacifiCorp 12/90; Ridered "termination" language 9/91; Increased from \$1,724,000 to include amendment changes 9/92; Disturbed Acreage increased to 93.29 acres (2/14/93); Replaced 9/1/94. Ridered for escalation 8/26/96. Increased to \$3,000,000 rider eff. 12/11/00. St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co. #400JN6140 still needs to be released. Bond adjusted to \$2,458,000 in 2004 dollars on 1/15/03. Bond adjusted for Rilda Surface Facilities on 7/26/05 to \$4,113,000.
PacifiCorp Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine C/015/019	101.74	\$3,082,587 (2005)	Surety	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America 1037771497 (A+)	9/1/94 (10/22/01)	\$30,299	Original Bond Amount-\$1,294,522 Ridered 6/7/90 for Waste Rock Site - \$1,586,008 (New Bond Submitted 11/20/90 for PacifiCorp with revised amount); Ridered "termination" language 9/91; Replaced 9/1/94. Approved amount revised to \$3,082,587 (Year 2005 dollars) per letter dated September 19, 2001, due by December 19, 2001). Received October 22, 2001. St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co. #400JN6138 still needs to be released.
Co-Op Mining Co. Bear Canyon Mine C/015/025	36.4	\$1,825,000 (2005)	Surety	Lyndon Property Insurance Co. #L06-01-C- 015-025 (A-)	07/02/01	\$50,137	Automatically Renewable; Increased to \$340,282 on 1/11/94; Increased to \$487,911 on 9/1/94; Rider increased to \$507,000 on 2/17/95. Rider increased to \$525,000 on 7/31/95. Bond increased to \$899,000 on 3/1/99. Posted a surety on 7/2/01 for \$1,825,000 for Wild Horse Ridge Addition. Released ILOC with Bank One #1055 (\$899,000 on 7/11/01). Ridered "Co-Op Mining" to bond on 5/30/03.
Genwal Resources Inc. Crandall Canyon Mine C/015/032	10.7	\$1,654,000 (2004)	Surety	American Home Assurance Co. 14-96-15 (A++)	03/14/95 (6/14/97)	\$154,579	Replaced ILOC 7/30/90 with Surety. Rider 9/21/93. Transferred to Genwal Resources Inc., on 3/22/95. SAFECO bond #4689174 replaced eff. 3/14/95. Ridered for culvert extension 06/27/97.

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Canyon Fuel Company, LLC SUFCA Mine C/041/002	46.03	\$4,439,000 (2004)	Surety	St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co. (A) 400SA1915	05/18/00	\$96,437	Ridered 7/23/92; Reclamation Agreement updated 2/25/93. Ridered eff. 7/27/95. Transferred from SUFCA to Canyon Fuel Company, LLC on 12/20/96. Bond amount found adequate on 6/12/97. Surety replaced 6/1/98, new parent, ARCH Western Resources, Inc. Surety replaced 5/18/00. Exhibit A corrected and Liberty Mutual released on 5/8/01. Cost revised to \$2,612,000 (2004 dollars) in 4/03.

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## BOND RELEASES

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Sunnyside Coal Company Sunnyside Mine FOR/007/007		\$1,850,184 (Forfeited) (Funds spent and reclaimed as of 7/1/99)					Escrow Agreement Finalized 6/90 3/13/89 Active Status; Transferred from Kaiser Coal Co. to SCC (previously SRS) 5/26/89. C.D. issued for \$75,000 at Zions First National Bank. First Deed of Trust for Undisturbed Land and Water Rights; Agreement 8/28/89 Filed Chapter 11 on 3/25/94; DOGM Filed Bankruptcy Claim 9/1/94; to Chapter 7 on 6/23/95. Undisturbed land sold to Penta Creeks on 3/12/96. OSM/DOGM agreed on \$1,850,184 cash collateral on 11/18/96. Bond forfeiture on 11/22/96. Reclamation engineering awarded to Montgomery Watson in 7/97. All \$1,850,184 received by 7/1/97. Bids awarded 5/19/98, contract signed 6/26/98. Work started 7/6/98. Completed 7/1/99 ( 287.4 ac).
North American Equities Blazon #1 Mine FOR/007/021		\$48,400 (Forfeited) (Funds spent and reclaimed as of 10/14/00)					Board ordered Phase I Bond Release on 2/28/91. LOC with First Interstate Bank replaced 2/91, (#S43865); Amount reduced from \$48,400 4/30/91; Bond forfeited 5/24/91- Cashier's Check to Division; To AML on 2/9/94 per LPB. Reclamation completed 10/4/00 (4.65 ac)
Summit Minerals Summit #1 Mine (aka: Blackhawk Mine) FOR/043/001		\$95,000 (Forfeited) (Funds spent and reclaimed as of 11/20/97)					Not active coal mine, exploration only. Permit revoked 8/4/89. Bond Forfeiture on 6/13/89. AML Reclamation complete 11/20/97. Real estate sold on 2/12/99 for \$95,000.
Summit Coal Company Boyer Mine FOR/043/008		\$101,512 (Forfeited) (Funds spent and reclaimed as of 4/17/97)					Forfeited on 1/26/89. Collateral Bond sold. Field evaluation by Title V- draft of evaluation and cost accounting of bond forfeiture to Lowell Braxton on 10/20/95. Complete reclamation on 4/17/97 (7 ac).
New Tech Mining Corp Black Jack #1 Mine FOR/019/004		\$50,000 (Forfeited) (Funds spent and reclaimed as of 11/92)					Coal Exploration. Permit bond forfeited. Reclaimed 11/92.

\*All of the bonding companies, (except Frontier Insurance Co.) are listed in the Federal Register, July 1, 2004, the Department of Treasury, Circular 570 listing of Surety Companies acceptable on Federal Bonds; all sureties were checked on March 31, 2005 for verification on the Department of Treasury Listing and the A. M. Best's Key Rating Guide most recent rating.

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Mountain Coal Co. Gordon Creek #3 & #6 REL/007/017							Original Bond Amount \$346,000. 1986 dollars; Phase I-Bond Release Effective 6/26/87 Ridered 7/13/87. Phase II Bond Release (rider eff as of 2/13/95) \$85,429. Phase III bond release approved 5/22/98. (Release of \$52,971.)
Cyprus Plateau Mining Corp. Blackhawk Exploration Site REL/007/038							Exploration project ridered more disturbance. Permit terminated 5/17/96. Aetna merged with Travelers on 07/01/97. Released on 12/3/98 (55,000, 3.1 acres)
Western States Minerals J.B. King Mine REL/015/002							Original Bond Amount-\$262,577. Phase I Bond Release (effective 5/20/86) Ridered-4/28/86. Conditional phase II and phase III bond release on 2/29/00. Final bond release on 3/24/00. (126,078) Seaboard surety # 104570.)
Mountain Coal Co. Huntington #4 Mine REL/015/004							Original Bond Amount-\$360,102; (Phase I-60% bond release effective-11/10/86 ridered-(12/31/86). Ridered "termination" language 9/91. Phase II Bond release effective when sed pond removed 3/20/95. Removed. Ridered 1/31/96. Phase III Bond Release pending removal of perimeter markers. Approved 5/22/98. (Released \$46,734.)
Co-Op Mining Co. Trail Canyon Mine REL/015/021							Automatically Renewable; Phase I Bond Release - approved 7/18/94 for \$120,000. Phase II release approved 1/31/96; ridered 4/24/96. Phase III bond release, conditional approval on 12/22/00, released \$30,000 ( 10 ac).
BHP Petroleum (Americas) Knight Mine REL/041/005							Federal Insurance Company Surety replaced 9/16/90. Phase I Bond Release on 11/08/94 of \$480,000. Replaced with ILOC on 1/30/96. Final Bond Release on 4/21/98. (Released \$320,000.)

## OTHER BONDS

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Trustee – Bill Bishop Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Lodestar Energy, Inc. White Oak Mine No. 1 & No. 2 C/007/001	140.2	\$3,832,000 (2007) {Bond amount still \$4,292,000 on bond.}	Surety	Frontier Insurance Company #143715 (E)	07/09/99	\$27,333 {\$30,613}	Transferred from Valley Camp 5/27/94. (Disturbance in mine site, office & loadout). JWC letter of 6/19/95 will reduce bond to \$ 3,398,000 (1999 dollars). Replaced 7/27/98. Bond amount increased to \$ 4,292,000 for permit renewal, due 8/24/99. Permit transferred from White Oak Mining and Construction on 7/14/99. Will replace Frontier Insurance Co. Request for more time on 1/22/01. Bond re- evaluated from \$4,292,000 to \$3,832,000 on 10/5/01. Sent request to replace surety due to new rules on 10/5/01, must replace by 2/9/02. Frontier declared “in rehabilitation” on 10/15/01, not on Utah Insurance list.. Demand letter sent on 11/7/01, must replace by 1/7/02 or reclaim. Hearing held in Kentucky on 1/3/02. Judge ruled and barred Division from issuing a CO until 1/24/02. Agreement signed with Bankruptcy Court, Lodestar and Division on 2/25/02. CO issued 3/12/03 for no bond. Cost estimated at \$3,814,566 in 4/03 in 2007 dollars. Lodestar filed Chapter 11 on 3/30/01. Determination to forfeit on 5/1/2003. Filed Chapter 7 on 7/15/03. Worked with Bankruptcy Trustee and Frontier Insurance to stabilize site - \$999,000 from Frontier to escrow on 10/3/2003. Work started on 10/13/2003, Ledcor pulled out for the winter on December 17, 2003. On August 18, 2004, Lodestar trustee, Bill, Bishop, filed the master settlement between various parties (including Renco and Wexford and Congress and the Debtors Trustee) for reclamation in a “General Settlement Fund” outside of the Lodestar bankruptcy estate. Utah received \$1.217 million dollars as part of this Settlement Agreement. The contract with Frontier contractor, was terminated by the Division on September 8, 2004. VCM contractors were awarded the contract for reclamation at the Whiskey Creek Mine (aka White Oak Mine). Reclamation work started on October 4, 2004 and left site on November 4, 2004. VCM returned to work on June 13, 2005 and completed reclamation on November 1, 2005. The loadout reclamation was completed on November 4, 2005. AMR administered reclamation work at this site.

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Lodestar Energy, Inc. Horizon Mine C/007/020	9.5	\$342,000 (2006) {Bond amount \$711,000 on bond.}	Surety	Frontier Insurance Company #143714 (E)	07/09/99	\$36,000 { \$74,842.1 }	Permit issued 10/10/96. Permit transfer pending to K&K Holding Company. Permit transferred 7/11/97. (Bond #400JU4131 replaced. St. Paul Fire & Maine replaced 7/11/97. Ridered to change to Horizon Mining, LLC on 10/30/97. Replaced 7/27/98. Midterm commenced 3/11/99, ordered to increase bond to \$711,000 by 7/12/99. Permit transferred on 7/14/99 from Horizon Mining, LLC to Lodestar Energy, Inc. Will replace Frontier Insurance Co. as Surety. Time extension requested on 1/22/01. Ridered to include OSM on 5/7/01. Letter sent on 9/26/2001 to decrease bond to \$342,000 (Year 2006 dollars). Sent letter that must replace surety due to new rules on 10/5/01, due 2/9/02. Frontier determined "in rehabilitation" on 10/15/01, not on Utah insurance list. Demand letter sent on 11/13/01 to replace bond by 1/7/02. Hearing in Ky. On 1/3/02, Division barred from action until 1/24/05. CO issued on 3/12/03 for no bond. Horizon Mine permit transferred to Hidden Splendor Resources on 7/1/03.