

January 31, 1984

Inspection Memo
to Coal File:

RE: Valley Camp of Utah, Inc.
Belina Mine Complex
ACT/007/001, Folder #7
Carbon County, Utah

DATE: December 23, 1983
TIME: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
WEATHER: Cold with heavy snow, 3 to 4 feet present
COMPANY OFFICIAL: Steve Tanner: Field, Trevor Whiteside: Office
STATE OFFICIAL: Ken Wyatt
ENFORCEMENT ACTION: None

Compliance With Permanent Performance Standards

UMC 771 et al Permits

Applicable permits and approvals available on the mine site included:

1. A letter from Ron Daniels dated May 11, 1978 granting interim approval to operate the Belina Mine.
2. The Belina No. 2 Mine's operational approval was granted on June 10, 1981 in a letter from Jim Smith of the Division.

UMC 817.11 Signs and Markers

The mine identification sign at the loadout and the mine are both posted as required.

Several new perimeter markers in the form of metal fence posts have been installed at the loadout to further delineate the disturbed area. Mr. Whiteside showed this inspector a new type of perimeter marker to be used at the mine site. These markers consist of flexible orange plastic bands that can be wrapped around trees and posted to them. This type of perimeter marker would be adequate because they could be posted on the trees above the snow levels.

UMC 817.21-.23 Topsoil

The topsoil material salvaged at the loadout during the truck scale installation was still adequately protected at the loadout. Mr. Whiteside indicated that this soil material would remain in place until after the spring 1984. The ultimate use of this material was discussed with the operator. Mr. Whiteside indicated that he had several areas where he had wanted to do interim reclamation work using some of this material.

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It is recommended at this time that the operator submit plans addressing the ultimate storage or use of this substitute topsoil material. These plans should show where this material will be stored and /or where some of this material will be allocated for interim reclamation attempts. These plans should be submitted and approved by the Division prior to any topsoil being utilized.

UMC 817.41-.52 Hydrologic Balance

At the time of this inspection the mine water discharge was still being channeled into pond #4. This was indicated by flow into the sediment pond inlet culvert on the truck turn around pad. No pond discharge sample was obtained. No surface runoff was occurring at this time.

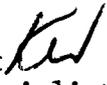
UMC 817.52 Surface and Ground Water Monitoring

Surface water monitoring data was available through October 19, 1983. Examination of these data for the third and fourth quarter of 1983 revealed no problem areas.

The Whiskey Canyon well data (station W19-1) was available up to October 1983. Underground drip analyses were also available for inspection.

UMC 817.121-.126 Subsidence Control

Subsidence in the Valley Camp lease area is monitored via an agreement between Valley Camp of Utah, Inc. and the Manti LaSal National Forest. In this agreement annual aerial flyovers are to be conducted by the Forest Service and then photogrammetric techniques are used in order to detect any subsidence that has occurred.

Ken Wyatt 
Field Specialist

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cc: Tom Ehmett, OSM
Trevor Whiteside, Valley Camp of Utah, Inc.
Joe Helfrich, DOGM
Sue Linner, DOGM

Statistics: See UP&L Wilberg Mine memo dated January 19, 1984