

October 5, 1984

TO: Coal File, Inspection and Enforcement folder
 FROM: Ken Wyatt, Mining Field Specialist *KW*
 RE: Valley Camp of Utah Inc, Belina Complex, ACT/007/001,
Folder #7 Carbon County, Utah

DATE: September 20, 1984
TIME: 1:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
WEATHER: Cloudy, scattered thunderstorms
COMPANY OFFICIALS: Steve Tanner & Trevor Whitesides
STATE OFFICIALS: Ken Wyatt
ENFORCEMENT ACTION: None

Compliance With Permanent Performance Standards

UMC 771 et al Permits

Applicable approvals and permits available for inspection included:

- 1) A July 10, 1984 letter from Allen Klein of OSM granting final permanent program approval. This letter was signed on August 3, 1984 and contained 10 special conditions. The response to these conditions have been submitted to the Division and are currently being assessed by the technical review staff.
- 2) A letter dated August 24, 1984 from Dianne R. Nielson indicated that the required bond has been received and executed by the Division and that final permit approval is hereby issued to Valley Camp of Utah by the state of Utah.

UMC 817.21-.23 Topsoil

Topsoil salvaged at the loadout during the truck scale installation has all been transported to the Belina minesite's topsoil storage area. In anticipation of approval of Valley Camp's proposed topsoil handling plan, a small amount of soil has been stored on the crest of the slope that Valley Camp intends to revegetate. A letter from Jim Smith dated August 31, 1984 denied the use of this soil on these slopes.

Unless Valley Camp can work out an agreement with the Division technical staff for alternate use of this soil material on the downslopes, this soil should be retrieved and placed in the

approved topsoil storage site. An onsite inspection by the technical staff could prove beneficial for Valley Camp by showing the exact location for soil use. At this time however, no approval exists for soil use on the downslope.

UMC 817.41-.52 Hydrologic Balance

During this inspection rain continued to fall. Runoff from the disturbed mine areas was flowing to the ponds as designed. The cleaning of Sediment Pond #4 continues to be hampered by daily precipitation.

The railroad tracks through the Valley Camp loadout facilities were being realigned for the Coastal States loadout construction. The operator was concerned about this activity because any sediment produced from this area would flow into Valley Camp's sediment ponds. This was discussed with Coastal States Representatives on September 26, 1984. They were informed of the operator's concerns.

UMC 817.52 Surface and Ground Water Monitoring

Valley Camp was issued NPDES permit #UT 0022985 effective November 6, 1982. This permit allows discharge into Pleasant Valley Creek and Whiskey Gulch and expires on June 30, 1987.

NPDES monitoring data was available for inspection for June, July and August 1984. Surface water monitoring was examined for June 1984. The August information was not yet available.

No discharge was occurring from Sediment Pond #4. The mine water filter pond discharge was sampled at 3:51 pm and appeared to be in compliance.

UMC 817.89 Disposal of Noncoal Waste

The operator indicated that noncoal wastes are hauled from the mine site to the Carbon County landfill.

UMC 817.111-117 Revegetation

Areas that are slated for revegetation this fall include:

1. The truck scale area and associated disturbance.
2. The slide between Eccles Creek and the Belina Haul road.

3. Willow cuttings along the Eccles Creek stream realignment and the associated disturbed land adjacent to the realignment work.
4. Topsoil placed at the Belina topsoil storage site.
5. The slope adjacent to the conveyor if Valley Camp can reach an agreement with Division Technical Staff.

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cc: Donna Griffin
Trevor Whiteside
Joe Helfrich

Statistics: UP&L's Deer Creek Mine memo dated October 5, 1984.
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