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State of Utah
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: 7/29/98 / 8:30a.m.-1:00p.m.
Date of Last Inspection: 6/22/98

Mine Name: White Oak #1 & #2 County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/001
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: White Oak Mining and Construction Company
Business Address: Scofield Route, Helper, Utah 84526
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other
Company Official(s): Vicky Miller
State Officials(s): Steve Demczak Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Clear, Warm, 80's
Existing Acreage: Permitted- 3746 Disturbed- 140.2 Regraded- 0 Seeded- 0 Bonded- 140.2
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Status: Exploration/ XXX Active/ Inactive/ Temporary Cessation/ Bond Forfeiture
Reclamation (Phase I/Phase II/ Final Bond Release/ Liability Year)

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

Instructions

- 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 N/A.
b. For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
2. Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

Table with 5 columns: Item, EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows include: 1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; 2. SIGNS AND MARKERS; 3. TOPSOIL; 4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; 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 VALUES; 10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE; 11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION; 12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING; 13. REVEGETATION; 14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL; 15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS; 16. ROADS; 17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES; 18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS; 19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) (date); 20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT; 21. BONDING & INSURANCE.



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1. PERMIT-

There is one minor amendment being reviewed with a projected completion date of the first week of September. It is anticipated that 20 hours will be needed to review the amendment.

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS -

Identification signs meet the requirements of the R645 Coal Rules.

The perimeter markers were spot-checked and are located around the perimeter of the disturbed area.

3. TOPSOIL -

The topsoil piles were inspected with no signs of wind or water erosion. These piles are protected by berms.

4A. DIVERSIONS -

The diversions were spot-checked and were found to comply with the requirements of the Mining and Reclamation Plan and the R645 Coal Rules.

Sediment has recently been cleaned out of these diversions.

4B. SEDIMENT PONDS -

The sediment pond 005A was discharging during the inspection. This water comes from a spring located within the fan housing.

There were no signs of any hazardous conditions occurring to the sediment ponds during the inspection.

4C. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES -

White Oak Mining uses straw bales, rock check dams, silt fences, and berms as it's alternate sediment control measures. These areas were spot-inspected and complied with the R645 Coal Rules.

5. EXPLOSIVES -

There are no explosives boxes on the property.

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7. SPOIL PILE -

The Spoil pile was inspected with no hazardous conditions being noticed.

The second quarter refuse pile was inspected by a P.E. with no hazardous conditions being reported.

8. NON-COAL WASTE -

The area has improved in the cleaning up of non-coal waste material. Permittee has scheduled to clean-up old mining material at the end of August.

20. AIR QUALITY -

The permittee is in compliance with the air quality approval order.

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

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Vicky Miller (White Oak)

Henry Austin (OSM)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM)

Filed to: Price Field Office

Date: August 6, 1998

Inspector's Signature: _____


Stephen J. Demczak

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