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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: 7/26/99 / 10:00a.m.-1:30p.m.
Date of Last Inspection: 6/29/99

Mine Name: White Oak Mines Complex County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/001
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Lodestar Energy, Inc. and subsidiaries
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: 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: EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows 1-21 listing various permit conditions and their status.

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**1. PERMIT-**

Lodestar has become the new permittee.

**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 or silt fences. The topsoil piles are well vegetated. The topsoil pile at the railroad loadout needs maintenance performed on the silt fences.

**4A. DIVERSIONS -**

The diversions were spot-checked; maintenance work had been performed a month prior. Due to the recent rain storms, sediment has started to build up at a couple of diversions at the loadout.

**4B. SEDIMENT PONDS -**

The sediment ponds were not discharging during the inspection. 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 its alternate sediment control measures. These areas were spot-inspected and complied with the R645 Coal Rules. The permittee had installed several straw bales throughout the mine site the month prior.

**4D. WATER MONITORING -**

There is a crossing made by loggers across Eccles Creek. This crossing may increase the total suspended solids to sample points downstream.

**5. EXPLOSIVES -**

There are no explosive's boxes on the property. No explosives were used since the last inspection.

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**7. SPOIL PILE -**

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

**8. NON-COAL WASTE -**

The site has been free of non-coal waste.

**16A. ROADS -**

The permittee has started to patch the main haul road from the mine.

**16B. ROAD DRAINAGE -**

The permittee has started to identify places that they are going to repair by painting areas on the concrete diversion ditch.

**18. SUPPORT FACILITIES -**

There haven't been any facilities added to the property since the last inspection.

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: David Miller/Vicky Miller (White Oak/EarthFax) Henry Austin (OSM)  
Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM) Filed to: Price Field Office  
Date: July 28, 1999

Inspector's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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