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September 9, 1981

Inspection Memo  
to Coal File:

RE: Price River Coal Company  
Braztah Complex  
ACT/007/004  
Carbon County, Utah

On September 3, 1981, Division inspectors Rex Fidler, Jean Dautre and Tom Portle visited the above mentioned minesite. They were accompanied on this inspection by Robert Wiley, Environmental Engineer for Price River Coal Company.

The purpose of this inspection was to perform a partial inspection and check on compliance as required by the August 5, 1981 registered letter. It was noted that the following items had been properly addressed.

Castlegate Preparation Plant

1. The materials storage site in Barn Canyon had been properly bermed.
2. Berms just east of the old water treatment plant had been repaired.
3. Operation is in compliance with UMC 817.42 and 817.45 as required.
4. Drainage along the eastside of the main access road where it enters the undisturbed drainage channel to the sediment pond had been properly channeled and stabilized.
5. The sticky substance had been cleaned up along the west side of the main access road. This substance is Petron DC-6 encrusting agent. This is a waterbase non-toxic substance with a slightly alkaline pH.

Hardscrabble Canyon

1. The sediment pond just below the refuse pile and the material storage area "Goose Island" had been repaired at the inlet. At this time it was also discussed the need or requirement for riprap to be placed on this area where sediments can enter the pond. Mr. Wiley stated that this would be done in the near future.

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2. The ephemeral stream diversion at Braztah #4 was repaired as required.
3. Disturbed area drainage has been controlled where spools are stored northeast of the fan.
4. The berm along the undisturbed drainage diversion along the parking area has been kept up. It is understood that this is a continuous problem because of the parking of automobiles and their tires breaking down the berm as they park along the drainage channel.
5. Materials and equipment which were stored along the road outside the mine permit area had been cleaned up and removed.

#### Sowbelly Canyon

1. To minimize erosion on the road to the watertank a culvert has been installed and the proper drainage control measures have taken place.
2. Maintenance of the access road to the #5 portal fan has been done. The road has been properly bermed and where the road is adjacent to the sediment ponds a berm has been built of medium sized stones and also the stones have been used for riprap into the sediment pond.

#### Crandall Canyon

1. A berm around the oil, gas and water storage tanks has been provided.
2. The broken down berm in the area has also been built up.

There was evidence of an increased awareness and efforts at compliance throughout the Price River Complex. However, the following items should be considered.

#### Sowbelly Gulch

1. The access road to the #5 portal fan where it is adjacent to the sediment pond should be looked at and because of drainage problems which may occur in the future, it is suggested that more riprap be placed in the area where drainage would enter into the sediment pond.

#### Crandall Canyon

The following items concerned inspectors during their inspection of Crandall Canyon. There was signs of slope instability to the southwest of the storage tanks. The berm had been broken down along the northern portion of Crandall Canyon and trash and other items had been placed in the drainage.

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Oil had been spilled and noncoal wastes had been placed outside the approximate permit area and was not protected by proper drainage controls. This was adjacent to the road that goes off the perimeter area along the western portion of the minesite. Debris and spools which hold cable had been placed in the drainage channels along the southern portion of the permit area. This was to take water from the undisturbed area into the Crandall Canyon Creek. There was evidence just east of the #2 hoisthouse of the berm breaking down.

Comments

The following items were discussed with Mr. Wiley.

1. Perimeter markers throughout the entire complex are necessary to be of a more permanent nature. Also, during the fall, Mr. Wiley agreed to seed the downslope of the area just east of the #2 hoisthouse in Crandall Canyon.
2. It is Price River's responsibility to inform construction companies of environmental requirements and maintain compliance during the construction phase of Crandall Canyon.
3. In Hardscrabble a 10,900 gallon tank for oil recycling has been installed.
4. Buffer zone signs required along Willow Creek Canyon stream refer to registered letter to Price River, for installation requirements.

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Statistics:

Vehicle #EX68804  
Miles 325  
3 persons @ 2 days, 11 hours = \$250.82  
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