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RE: Price River Complex
Price River Coal Company
ACT/007/004 #7
Carbon County, Utah

Sandy Pruitt inspected the Castlegate Preparation Plant operation and Sowbelly minesite with Gene Haub, Price River Coal Company on January 28, 1983 to determine the adequacy of abatement actions to NOV N82-4-17-2.

NOV #1 of 2 had been abated on December 22, 1982 by erecting a buffer zone marker above the Price River at the northwest end of the Castlegate Preparation Plant. At the time of this inspection the marker was clearly visible and no disturbance was evident within the buffer zone.

NOV #2 of 2 required maintenance of sediment control structures at the Castlegate Preparation Plant and at the Sowbelly minesite. The berm above the Price River west of the new coal stacking tube had been reconstructed as required by A(1) of the remedial action. Due to snow cover it was difficult to determine if all of the snow, coal and soil had been retrieved from the river bank as required.

Excessive ponding at the base of the berm along the water line below the new coal stacking tube will necessitate careful monitoring and maintenance as necessary to prevent a reoccurrence of off-site drainage. Inadequate drainage control and surface grades allow excessive ponding above the cross culvert for the Barn Canyon drainage. At the time of this inspection ponded water was close to overtopping the berm. A front end loader was in the process of grading the road to drain the pond away from the berm to prevent an off-site drainage violation.

Disturbed area snow had been removed from the undisturbed drainage diversion north of the new coal stacking tube as required by A(2) of the remedial action for NOV #2 of 2.

Snow and refuse from the surface of the access road to the refuse disposal site is disposed of in a clearing at the switchback in the road. All drainage will flow toward the sediment ponds. Snow/waste which is pushed onto the downslope may disturb vegetation or cause stability or erosion problems.

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At the Sowbelly minesite, disturbed area snow had been removed from the undisturbed drainage ditch on the north side of the minesite just south of warehouse #5. A berm had been reconstructed along the ditch just below the warehouse also as required by remedial action B(1) of NOV #2 of 2.

As a result of this inspection it was recommended that Dave Lof terminate NOV N82-4-17-2. No violations were warranted.

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