

August 23, 1985

TO: Coal File, Inspection and Enforcement Folder
FROM: Sandy Pruitt, Mining Field Specialist *SP*
RE: Skyline Mine, Utah Fuel Company, ACT/007/005, Folder #7,
Carbon County, Utah

A partial inspection of the Skyline Mine was conducted by Sandy Pruitt on August 15, 1985. Glen Zumwalt and Bill Shriver accompanied the inspector at the topsoil stockpile. In abatement to NOV #1 of 2, N85-2-9-2, buffer zone markers were posted before Mud Creek at the railcar loadout and above the bypass culvert inlets for the South and Middle Fork Eccles Creek drainages.

In abatement to NOV #2 of 2, N85-2-9-2 an elbow was installed on the downspout from the undisturbed drainage diversion above the south end of the material storage yard (Area D cited on the NOV).

The manhole at the base of the mine topsoil stockpile (Area B cited in NOV #2 of 2) had been reaffected in preparation to install a cement wall around the manhole. The manhole is covered. The mine topsoil stockpile had been reshaped and contoured for effective erosion control. The topsoil stockpile and surface area where french drains were installed will be hydroseeded this month. The diversion was established and french drains installed at the springs, as described in the November 14, 1984 plans. It was unclear whether the french drain was properly installed above the 48 inch culvert inlet. The area had been recently excavated but no filter cloth was apparent and large boulders were not exposed at the surface. Strawbales were placed along the uphill crest of the excavation and should provide sediment control and topsoil containment from runoff draining onto the stockpile from the undisturbed drainage diversion above the northend of the material storage yard. Topsoil protection will be provided by strawbales along the toe of the stockpile and at the outlet end of the water bars to be established across the emergency access. Utah Fuel was advised to establish a containment berm around the stockpiles of sand, for sand bags, located near the drainage inlets.

The loadout area and mine facilities pads had been recently graded. The entire site was in good condition, in preparation for the dedication ceremony at the railcar loadout scheduled for the following week.

cc: Donna Griffin, OSM
Keith Zobell, Utah Fuel Co.
Joe Helfrich, DOGM

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