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July 11, 1985

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

A partial inspection of the Skyline Mine was conducted by Sandy Pruitt during a technical staff tour of the mine on June 26, 1985. Observations made during this inspection were discussed with Keith Zobell.

The mine discharge pump has been inoperational since Monday, June 26, 1985. The mine sediment pond was not discharging, very minor runoff inflows were occurring.

Utah Fuel Company had partially addressed abatement of NOV #2 of 2, N85-2-9-2. The old strawbales and sediment accumulated around the manhole at the base of the North fork topsoil stockpile had been retrieved and strawbales were placed over the manhole opening. In the process, the rough depressions at the base of the stockpile, which maginally functioned to contain topsoil eroded off the stockpile, were annihilated. There is now no separation of topsoil runoff so that all sediments trapped by the strawbales at the manhole could be considered to be topsoil. Strawbales were replaced below the water tanks pad. The breaches in the undisturbed diversion above the loadout silos were reportedly repaired. This abatement measure was not examined. Area D cited in the NOV still needs to be addressed.

There is no buffer zone marker at the permit area boundary of the railcar loadout, which is located within 100 feet of Mud Creek. NOV #1 of 2, N85-2-9-2 was modified at the mine office on June 27, 1985, to include this portion of the operation. Due to the proximity of the permit area to two adjacent rail lines Utah Fuel Company may request a variance for area.

On June 27, 1985, Keith Zobell discussed plans to dispose sediment removed from the mine sediment pond as a valley fill under a section

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of the conveyor at the loadout. He was referred to UMC 817.71 -.74 and UCA 40-10-17(j)(iii) for the design specifications and permit requirements.

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

Statistics:

Vehicle: EX 45429 - 590 miles  
Per Diem: 1 person X 2 days 10 hours = \$91.90  
Grant: A&E  
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