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INSPECTION REPORT

INSPECTION DATE & TIME: August 17, 1988
9a.m. to 2p.m.

Permittee and/or Operators Name: Utah Fuel Company
Business Address: P.O. Box 719, Helper, Utah 84527
Mine Name: Skyline Mine Permit Number: ACT/007/005 7115
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XX Surface ____ Other ____
County: Carbon
Company Official (s): Keith Zobell
State Official(s): Harold G. Sandbeck
Partial: ____ Complete: XXX Date of Last Inspection: July 22, 1988
Weather Conditions: Clear and warm
Acreage: Permitted 4,834 Disturbed 75.9 Regraded ____ Seeded ____ Bonded 75.9
Enforcement Action: None

COMPLIANCE WITH PERMITS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

	YES	NO	N/A	COMMENTS
1. PERMITS	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
3. TOPSOIL	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. STREAM CHANNEL DIVERSIONS	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
b. DIVERSIONS	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
c. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	(XX)	( )	( )	(XX)
d. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	(XX)	( )	( )	(XX)
e. SURFACE AND GROUNDWATER MONITORING	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
f. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
5. EXPLOSIVES	( )	( )	(XX)	( )
6. DISPOSAL OF DEVELOPMENT WASTE AND SPOIL	(XX)	( )	( )	(XX)
7. COAL PROCESSING WASTE	( )	( )	(XX)	( )
8. NONCOAL WASTE	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
13. REVEGETATION	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	( )	( )	(XX)	( )
16. ROADS				
a. CONSTRUCTION	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
c. SURFACING	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
d. MAINTENANCE	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	(XX)	( )	( )	( )
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	(XX)	( )	( )	(XX)

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General Comments.

Keith Zobell accompanied the undersigned inspector on this complete inspection. No significant environmental problems were noted. Maintenance issues mentioned in this report have not reached an out of compliance level. Ground conditions were dry.

The Division policy on Certification and Reporting Requirements dated June 6, 1988 was sent to the operator on July 19, 1988. This policy was reviewed with Mr. Zobell.

4. Hydrologic Balance:

c. Sediment Ponds and Impoundments.

The operator's pond inspections were checked for the 2nd quarter of 1988. No problems were noted.

At pond 001, the operator intends to install a riser on the number 1 mine out flow line. To install the riser, the operator must lower the pond about two (2) feet. Larry Dalton, with Wildlife Resources (DWR), requests that the operator lower the pond after the fish eggs have hatched in Eccles Creek. Any increase in water velocity may upset the fish hatchery. The riser should be installed by end of August or early September.

Pond 002 is certified and addresses most of the items under UMC 817.49(h). The operator is aware of the Division policy mentioned above and will follow the pond certification format.

Pond 002's northwest inlet will need minor maintenance.

d. Other Sediment Control Measures.

Five Year Renewal Issue

A sediment control structure southeast of pond 002 lies outside the operator's permit. This control structure treats a very small area (SAE) within the permit. The control structure is located on county road property and the operator has been unable to acquire a lease.

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6. Disposal of Development Waste and Spoil.

The waste rock 2nd quarter inspection was checked. No problems were noted. The operator was informed to perform preventive maintenance on the ditch and outfalls along side the road leading into the waste rock area.

18. Support Facilities/Utility Installations. At the train loadout area, a stocker storage bin was under construction.

Copy of this Report:
Mailed to: Keith Zobell(Utah Fuel), Price Office and Brian Smith (OSM)
Given to: Sue Linner and Joe Helfrich - DOGM

Inspectors Signature and Number: Harold D. Fauver #27 Date: 8/18/88