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INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: _____ Complete: XXX Exploration: _____
Inspection Date & Time: 12/07/2001 / 10:00am-1:30pm
Date of Last Inspection: 11/09/2001

Mine Name: Skyline Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: C/007/005
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Canyon Fuel Company
Business Address: HC 35 Box 380, Helper, Utah 84526
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface _____ Prep. Plant _____ Other _____
Company Official(s): Chris Hansen
State Official(s): Stephen J. Demczak Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Cooled, 26 inches of snow cover
Existing Acreage: Permitted 7,037 Disturbed 74.31 Regraded _____ Seeded _____
Status: Active XXX

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
 - For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. TOPSOIL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. WATER MONITORING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. EXPLOSIVES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. NONCOAL WASTE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS CHECK (4 th Quarter- April, May, June)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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(COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE)

1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE

The permittee has submitted the James Canyon amendment to the Division. This amendment is being reviewed by the Division at the Salt Lake office.

The permittee will be submitting information to the Division for permit renewal by the end of the month. This permit will expire on April 30, 2002.

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

The identification signs were inspected and comply with the R645 Coal Rules. The perimeter markers were snow-covered making it difficult to see.

3. TOPSOIL

The topsoil piles were snow covered.

4A. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: DIVERSIONS

The diversions contained snow but were functioning as designed.

4B. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS

Sediment ponds were inspected for third quarter on September 19, 2001 by the permittee. No hazardous conditions were reported. The mine site sediment pond was discharging during the inspection.

4C. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES

The sediment controls were covered with snow.

4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

Water monitoring was inspected for second quarter by the inspector prior to the inspection by using the Electronic Data Base. The permittee has met all the requirements in the Mining and Reclamation Plan. The third quarter water information has not been electronically transmitted to the Division at this time but will be submitted by the end of the quarter. The permittee has taken fourth quarter water samples. These samples are at the lab being analyzed.

4E. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

The permittee and Division of Water Quality are having discussions for Skyline Mine exceeding the tons per day of total dissolved solids. The mine is discharging such large quantities of water. They cannot meet the current requirements. Talks are taking place between the two parties to have Skyline Mine reduce the TDS below the mine by partially funding programs, such as installing waterlines for irrigation water instead of using earthen ditches.

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7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS

This portion of the mine was not accessible due to snow cover.

8. NONCOAL WASTE

The property was clear of non-coal waste material.

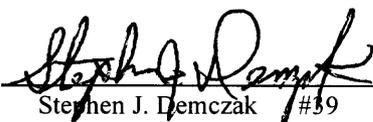
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS

No construction has taken place since the last inspection.

21. BONDING AND INSURANCE

The insurance was renewed and will expire on July 31, 2002. The policy meets the requirements of the R645 Coal Rules.

Inspector's Signature: _____


Stephen J. Demczak #59

Date: December 10, 2001

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining.

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