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October 26, 2007

Mr. Gregg Galecki, Environmental Coordinator
Canyon Fuel Company, LLC - Skyline Mine
HCR 35, Box 380
Helper, Utah 84526

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10/26/07

Subject: Reconnaissance Inspection – UPDES Permit No. UT0022540.

Dear Mr. Galecki:

On October 23, 2007 I conducted an unscheduled reconnaissance inspection in regards to the Skyline Mine facility and your UPDES Permit referenced above while already in the area. Specifically I observed the outfalls, sediment ponds, effluent discharges and receiving waters. No deficiencies were observed and no response is required at this time.

Enclosed is a copy of the inspection report for your records. If you have any questions, please contact me anytime at (801) 538-6779 or by e-mail at jstudenka@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

Jeff Studenka

Jeff Studenka, Environmental Scientist
UPDES IES Section

Enclosures

cc (w/encl): Jennifer Meints, EPA Region VIII
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Water Compliance Inspection Report

Section A: National Data System Coding (i.e., ICIS)

Transaction Code N	NPDES U T 0 0 2 3 5 4 0	yr/mo/day 0 7 1 0 2 3	Inspection Type R	Inspector S	Fac. Type 2
1	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	12 13 14 15 16 17	18	19	20
Remarks					
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Inspection Work Days 2	Facility Self-Monitoring Evaluation Rating 5	BI D	QA N	Reserved	
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Section B: Facility Data

Name and Location of Facility Inspected (For industrial users discharging to POTW, also include POTW name and NPDES permit number) CANYON FUEL CO. SKYLINE MINE State Hwy 264 ~ 5 miles SW of Scofield, UT	Entry Time/ Date 9:20 am/ 10-23-2007	Permit Effective Date 12-1-2004
	Exit Time/ Date 9:50 am/ 10-23-2007	Permit Expiration Date 11-30-2009
Name(s) of On-Site Representative(s)/Title(s)/Phone and Fax Number(s) No one was contacted for this site visit. [Gregg Galecki, Environmental Coordinator, (435) 448-2636]	Other Facility Data (e.g., SIC NAICS, and other descriptive information) Bituminous Coal Underground Mining Facility SIC Code 1222 NAICS 212112	
Name, Address of Responsible Official/Title/Phone and Fax Number Wes Sorensen, Mine Manager Canyon Fuel Company, LLC Skyline Mine HCR 35 Box 380 Helper, UT 84542 (435) 636-2619	Contacted <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

Section C: Areas Evaluated During Inspection (Check only those areas evaluated)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self Monitoring Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Pretreatment	<input type="checkbox"/> MS4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Records/Reports	<input type="checkbox"/> Compliance Schedule	<input type="checkbox"/> Pollution Prevention	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facility Site Review	<input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory	<input type="checkbox"/> Storm Water	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Effluent/Receiving Waters	<input type="checkbox"/> Operations & Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Combined Sewer Overflow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Flow Measurement	<input type="checkbox"/> Sludge Handling/Disposal	<input type="checkbox"/> Sanitary Sewer Overflow	

Section D: Summary of Findings/Comments

(Attach additional sheets of narrative and checklists, including Single Event Violation codes, as necessary)

SEV Codes	SEV Description

Name(s) and Signature(s) of Inspector(s) Jeff Studenka, Environmental Scientist 	Agency/Office/Phone and Fax Number(s) DWQ (801) 538-6779	Date: 10-26-07
Name and Signature of Management Q A Reviewer Mike Herkimer, Manager UPDES IES Section 	Agency/Office/Phone and Fax Number(s) DWQ (801) 538-6058	Date: 10/31/07

INSPECTION PROTOCOL

UPDES Permit #: UT0023540
Inspection Type: Reconnaissance Inspection
Inspection Date: October 23, 2007

Jeff Studenka of the Division of Water Quality (DWQ) visited the Canyon Fuel Company's Skyline Mine Facility. The purpose for the site visit was to perform a reconnaissance inspection while already in the area.

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Location: Up Eccles Canyon on Utah Hwy. 264 near Scofield, Utah

Coordinates: Outfall 001 – 39° 41' 05" latitude, -111° 13' 58" longitude
Outfall 002 – 39° 41' 05" latitude, -111° 09' 07" longitude
Outfall 003 – 39° 43' 10" latitude, -111° 09' 15" longitude

Average Flow: ~ 6 MGD (001)

Receiving water: Eccles Creek → Muddy Creek → Scofield Reservoir → Price River

Process: Active underground coal mining operation utilizing long-wall mining technology. Mine water is collected underground at sump locations and continuously pumped to surface via Outfall 001. Surface water from the three disturbed areas is conveyed to above ground settling ponds, each with a discharge point. Outfall 002 is from the rail load out facility and Outfall 003 is from the waste rock storage site.

INSPECTION SUMMARY

There were no deficiencies noted during the last inspection for follow up. A visual tour of the facility was conducted where the sediment ponds, outfall locations and receiving waters were observed with no deficiencies. At the time of the inspection, Eccles Creek was flowing clear and steady with some snow on the stream banks and ground.

DEFICIENCIES

No deficiencies with respect to the UPDES permit were noted during the inspection.

REQUIREMENTS

None.