

July 16, 1979

Memo to Coal File:

RE: Plateau Mining Company  
Star Point #1 & 2 Mines  
ACT/007/006

Plateau Mining Company's Star Point Mines were inspected on July 11, 1979 by Larry Damrau and Eileen Doherty of the Office of Surface Mining, Mike Dmitrich and Steve Rigby of Plateau, and Mike Thompson of the Division.

The areas that were issued violations by the State in January were observed. The abated violations and continuing violations, as per the Board order of June 27, 1979, were noted. The Office of Surface Mining inspectors issued one notice of violation; it concerned the upper waste disposal area. The notice specified a time limit for submittal of information required by the Board Order.

A question was raised by the Office of Surface Mining inspectors as to whether the Board has the authority to give a variance to the 1.5 Static Safety requirement for earth fills. The Board Order specifies 1.3 static safety factor.

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