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## INSPECTION REPORT

Partial: XXX Complete:      Exploration:       
Inspection Date & Time: 12/07/2001 / 9:20 - 12:10  
Date of Last Inspection: 11/20/2001

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Mine Name: Star Point Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: C/007/006  
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Plateau Mining Corporation  
Business Address: 847 Northwest Highway 191, Helper, Utah 84526  
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface      Prep. Plant      Other       
Company Official(s): Johnny Pappas  
State Official(s): Karl R. Houskeeper Federal Official(s): None  
Weather Conditions: Partly Cloudy, High Winds, Temp 10- 20°F  
Existing Acreage: Permitted 9084 Disturbed 213.4 Regraded      Seeded       
Status: Active Reclamation 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.

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

## INSPECTION REPORT

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PERMIT NUMBER: C/007/006

DATE OF INSPECTION: 12/07/2001

( COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE )

### GENERAL COMMENTS

Combined a partial inspection with a Field visit. Arrived early at the mine site and conducted a partial inspection prior to the Field Visit.

The Field Visit was scheduled to look at and evaluate the reclamation activities. Attendants at the Field visit were:

Johnny Pappas, RAG  
Karl Houskeeper, DOGM  
Pamela Grubaugh-Littig, DOGM  
Wayne Western, DOGM  
Susan White, DOGM  
Dana Dean, DOGM  
Mark Greenhalgh, Nielson Const.  
Kimball Rassmussen, Nielson Const.

The area was snow covered and the reclamation activities were viewed from a distance. The contours of the reclaimed areas was enhanced by the recent snow fall. Some construction was still taking place at the silo area during the field visit. Plans for future reclamation activities to take place in the next year were discussed as we viewed the area.

### 2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

The ID sign is in place. It is located near the permit boundary within the disturbed area. Other markers, as required by the coal rules were observed and are in place.

### 4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

Viewed the water monitoring on the EDI system. Second and third quarter information is in the pipeline and the information is being evaluated prior to incorporation. The operator is in the process of uploading the fourth quarter information into the EDI pipeline. The operator indicated that he will notify the Division when the information is ready to be incorporated.

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**7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS**

The area covered by the Star Point refuse pile is 69 acres. All outlying slopes are graded to a 2:1 slope. The diversions meet the 6 hour/100 year storm event. The entire area was covered by snow. The pile appeared to be stable. No visible hot spots or smokers were noticed during the inspection.

Note: The photo's from this site visit can be viewed or downloaded at:  
<ftp://dogm.nr.state.ut.us/PUB/MINES/Coal/C007/006/Images/12072001>

Inspector's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Karl R. Houskeeper*  
Karl R. Houskeeper #49

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.

cc: James Fulton, OSM  
Johnny Pappas, Plateau Mining  
Price Field office

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