

WATER QUALITY MEMORANDUM

Utah Coal Regulatory Program

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TO: Internal File

THRU: D. Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor *DWH*

FROM: David W. Darby, Senior Reclamation Specialist *DWD*

RE: 2005, 1st Quarter Water Monitoring, Plateau Mining Corp. (PMC), Star Point Mine, C/007/0006-WQ05-1, Task ID #2392

1. Was data submitted for all of required sites?

The Star Point Mine is in reclamation. The mines have been closed and sealed. The disturbed areas around the portals have been regraded to AOC and seeded. The current water monitoring schedule for the Star Point Mine is provided in Table 731.211a in Chapter 7 of the MRP. This report was prepared based on information in File: O:\007006.stp\Water Quality\datacheck2004-1-4.xls. UPDES sites are still being reported to DEQ, however there are no UPDES sites associated with the mine. The water quality analysis schedule is shown in Table 731.211b.

Springs Spring 971 is required to be monitored monthly from May through September. If snow prevents access during May the operator monitors in June.

YES NO N/A The spring was not required to be monitored during the 1st quarter.

Streams Surface Water sites ST-1 and 10-1 are to be monitored quarterly. Operational quality sampling is identified in Table 731.211b, Chapter 7.

YES NO PMC conducted monitoring on streams on March 17, 1005 during the 1st quarter. There was no flow at Site 1-10. Access could not be gained at site ST-1.

Wells All wells have been sealed.

YES NO N/A No open wells exist on the site.

UPDES UPDES permit, UT0023736, is still associated with the mine, however there are

no ponds or mine discharges. PMC has applied to withdraw the UPDES permit, November 7, 2004, but the Division of Water Quality will not release the permit until final bond release. Active ponds associated with the coal refuse have been transferred to Star Point Waste Fuel Company.

YES NO N/A.

2. Were all required parameters reported for each site?

Springs YES NO
Streams YES NO As reported in Section 1.
Wells YES NO N/A
UPDES YES NO N/A

3. Were irregularities found in the data?

Springs YES NO
Streams YES NO
Wells YES NO N/A
UPDES YES NO N/A

4. On what date does the MRP require a five-year resampling of baseline water data.

Resampling due date Does not specify.

5. Based on your review, what further actions, if any, do you recommend?

None

Does the Mine Operator need to submit more information to fulfill this quarter's monitoring requirements? Yes No

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6. Follow-up from last quarter, if necessary.

Did the Mine Operator submit all the missing and/or irregular data (datum)?

Review of data for this report was delayed as a result of permitting priorities. There is no follow-up required from last quarter.

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