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INSPECTION REPORT

INSPECTION DATE & TIME: Oct. 26, 1988  
12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Permittee and/or Operators Name: U.S. Fuel Company  
Business Address: Hiawatha, Utah 84527  
Mine Name: Hiawatha Complex Permit Number: ACT/007/011  
Type of Mining Activity: Underground  Surface  Other  
County: Carbon State: Utah  
Company Official(s): Jean Semborski  
State Official(s): Daron Haddock, Mike Deweese  
Partial:  XX Complete:  Date of Last Inspection: Sept. 27, 1988  
Weather Conditions: Sunny, warm  
Acreage: Permitted 12.249 Disturbed 328.7 Regraded  Seeded  Bonded 313.5  
Enforcement Action: None

COMPLIANCE WITH PERMITS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

	YES	NO	N/A	COMMENTS
1. PERMITS	( )	( )	( )	( )
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	( X )	( )	( )	( )
3. TOPSOIL	( )	( )	( )	( )
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. STREAM CHANNEL DIVERSIONS	( )	( )	( )	( )
b. DIVERSIONS	( X )	( )	( )	( X )
c. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	( X )	( )	( )	( X )
d. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	( X )	( )	( )	( X )
e. SURFACE AND GROUNDWATER MONITORING	( )	( )	( )	( )
f. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	( )	( )	( )	( )
5. EXPLOSIVES	( )	( )	( )	( )
6. DISPOSAL OF DEVELOPMENT WASTE AND SPOIL	( )	( )	( )	( )
7. COAL PROCESSING WASTE	( )	( )	( )	( )
8. NONCOAL WASTE	( )	( )	( )	( )
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	( )	( )	( )	( )
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	( )	( )	( )	( )
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	( )	( )	( )	( )
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	( )	( )	( )	( )
13. REVEGETATION	( )	( )	( )	( )
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	( X )	( )	( )	( X )
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	( )	( )	( )	( )
16. ROADS				
a. CONSTRUCTION	( )	( )	( )	( )
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	( )	( )	( )	( )
c. SURFACING	( )	( )	( )	( )
d. MAINTENANCE	( )	( )	( )	( )
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	( )	( )	( )	( )
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES				
UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	( X )	( )	( )	( X )

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4b. DIVERSIONS

The drop drain in the middle fork mine yard was partially blocked with litter from the yard even though there was no water running in the yard. The operator plans to increase the maintenance schedule for this drain as its location tends to catch litter.

4c. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS:

Due to the lack of moisture in the area, the mine sites are very dry. The sediment ponds in middle fork and south fork are dry or have very little water in them.

The sediment pond at the upper rail yard is dry and it was noted that the decant spillway is directly across from the pond inlet. Sediment is building up in this area and there is the possibility with continued buildup, short circuiting of the pond might occur. The operator will look into extending the decant pipe to prevent short circuiting of the pond.

4d. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES:

The area east of the King #6 mine shop has equipment and waste material stored haphazardly. The berm along the pad in this area is also in need of reinforcement. Drainage in this area reports to a sediment pond but should be more controlled and contained to the diversions. The operator will check into cleaning up this area.

At the King 4 & 5 mines, the berm at the east end of the parking lot will also be beefed up.

14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL:

The operator has submitted to DOGM a revised subsidence control plan, (Sept. 1988). Monitoring will be done on a yearly basis with baseline photography being taken this fall.

18. SUPPORT FACILITIES AND UTILITY INSTALLATIONS:

A hole was recently drilled near the main water tank at the King #6 mine. The hole was drilled in order to run water pipe through the mine to the water tank so it would not freeze. Disturbance to the area was minimal and the area has been reseeded.

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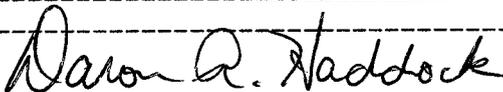
The operator was made aware that the water tank area does not drain to a sediment pond and must therefore be submitted for Small Area Exemption status. The operator was also reminded that November 16, 1988 is the deadline established for submitting the application for Small Area Exemption Status for all areas that do not report to a sediment pond.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Jean Semborski, U.S. Fuel

Mailed to SLC for: Brian Smith, OSM; Joe Helfrich, Mike Deweese, DOGM

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Inspectors Signature and Number: Daron R. Haddock #28 Date: Oct. 26, 1988