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Inspection Memo  
to Coal File:

RE: Wellington Preparation Plant  
U. S. Steel Corporation  
ACT/007/012, Folder #7  
Carbon County, Utah

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This inspection was to check on progress by the operator in reconstructing the sediment basins designed to control discharge from breaks in the slurryline on the east side of the Price River. Construction of these basins was originally done to abate violation N84-2-1-2, #2 of 2 issued by Sandy Pruitt.

All three basins washed out shortly after their construction, which was done by the abatement deadline. Since the basins had been constructed according to the approved plans but had failed, the violation was terminated effective May 24, 1984, with the condition that the basins be reconstructed according to plans by July 19, 1984.

The two berms used to route any drainage from the slurryline to the basins had been reworked. This had been done by dipping the blade of a bull dozer and a cutting along the existing berms. For most of the length the depth of the berm ran between two and three feet, however where the berm angled down a steep grade the depth increased and erosion was occurring along the floor of the berm. Tires had been placed on the berm floor through the steep sections in an effort to slow erosion.

Instead of reconstructing the series of three catch basins according to approved plans, the operator had excavated one large sediment trap at the location of the original catch basins. A combination of fabric filter and riprap had been used to construct a embankment filter at the head of the sediment trap. On the top of the embankment the fabric was not covered with riprap to allow more filtering capacity. Below the embankment a gully caused by past flow runs from the toe of the structure to the Price River. Some riprap had been placed in this channel by the operator, but additional riprap may be needed.

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The material excavated to construct the sediment trap was stockpiled on the southeast side of the trap. No drainage or erosion controls were constructed for this material and any erosion or flow from the south end of this material could enter the Price River.

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NOV 84-2-13-1, #1 of 1, was issued from the office by Mining Field Specialist Sandy Pruitt based on my report of the changes made by the operator. It reads as follows:

Nature of the Violation

Failure to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation activities in accordance with the existing permit issued by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

Provisions of Regulations Violated

UMC 771.19

Portion of the Operation to which Notice Applies

Reconstruction of catch basin not in accordance with plans dated March 19, 1984.

Remedial Action Required

Submit as built plans for modified catch basin in request for DOGM approval.

Time for Abatement

One week or no later than July 6, 1984.

Tom Wright <sup>TW</sup>  
Mining Field Specialist

cc: Jodie Merriman, OSM  
Barbara Filas, U. S. Steel  
Joe Helfrich, DOGM  
Sue Linner, DOGM  
Sandy Pruitt, DOGM

Statistics: See Blazon Memo dated July 12, 1984  
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