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## INSPECTION REPORT

INSPECTION DATE & TIME: 11/9 & 10/1988  
8a.m. to 6p.m. and 8a.m. to 10a.m.

Permittee and/or Operators Name: Kaiser Coal Company  
Business Address: P.O. Box D, Sunnyside Utah 84539  
Mine Name: Wellington Prep Plant Permit Number: INA/007/012  
Type of Mining Activity: Underground Surface Other XX  
County: Carbon  
Company Official (s): Bill Balaz  
State Official(s): Harold G. Sandbeck and Bill Malencik  
Partial: Complete: XX Date of Last Inspection: August 11, 1988  
Weather Conditions: Cold and clear  
Acreage: Permitted 1720 Disturbed 356 Regraded Seeded 1.5 Bonded 469  
Enforcement Action: None

### COMPLIANCE WITH PERMITS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

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

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General Comments: This complete inspection was conducted with Bill Balaz. The field inspection commenced on November 9, 1988 and a records review was conducted on November 10, 1988.

1. Permits. The Wellington Preparation Plant applied for a NPDES permit in 1984. The permit was never issued because the plant ceased operations. The undersigned inspector received this information from Mary Koltenuk per telephone conversation on November 18, 1988. At this time, a NPDES permit is not required unless a potential for discharge exists.

3. Topsoil. Preventive maintenance is required on a topsoil berm located on the east side of the property. At this time a violation is not warranted.

4. Hydrologic Balance:

c. Sediment Ponds and Impoundments.

The quarterly pond inspections for the 3rd quarter of 1988 were checked for the pipeline slurry pond, roadside pond, auxiliary pond and the dryer pond. No problems were noted.

The weekly pond inspections for the 3rd quarter of 1988 were checked for the clear water pond, lower refuse pond and upper refuse pond. A records review indicated that the operator had missed the weeks of July 10, 1988, August 1, 1988, August 11, 1988 and August 14, 1988. During this time period, KCC's severe financial problems required the termination of all but one (Bill Balaz) of the salaried employees on the property. The records were checked back to January 1988. At this time a violation is not warranted for the following reasons:

- \* The plant is idle and not producing water.
- \* The ponds appear stable with no significant problems noted.

Preventive maintenance is required at the pipeline slurry pond. The operator was informed to dress up a ditch leading into the pond and repair a small rill on the inslope of the pond. At this time a violation is not warranted.

The operator was in the process of cleaning the auxiliary pond. The cleanup is about 50% complete.

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e. Surface and Groundwater Monitoring.

Groundwater

The permit requires quarterly groundwater monitoring at 14 wells (GW-1 through GW-14). For a list of parameters and other information, the reader is referred to the MRP Volume I, pages 784-28XIII (Table 3) and 784-28iii (Rev. 3: 4-11-87). The records were checked back to the 1st quarter of 1988. The operator has not received the 1988 3rd quarter lab analysis from Chem Tech Lab. The operator will check into this problem. No other problems were detected.

Surface Water

The permit requires quarterly surface water monitoring at one site (SW-3) and biannually at seven (7) other sights (SW-1, SW-2, SW-4, SW-5, SW-6, SW-7 and SW-8). For a list of parameters and other information, the reader is referred to the MRP Volume I, pages 784-28ii (Table 1) and 784-28i (Rev. 3: 4-11-87). The records were checked back to the 1st quarter of 1988. No problems were detected.

6. Disposal of Development Waste and Spoil. The plant refuse pile and pond refuse pile were inspected for the 3rd quarter of 1988. No problems were noted.

13. Revegetation.

The operator informed the undersigned inspector that the disturbed area south of the road leading into the pipeline slurry pond will be graded and seeded on November 10, 1988.

The soil sampling required by Stipulation UMC 817.22-(1)-JSL will be accomplished during the week of November 14, 1988.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Bill Balaz (KCC), Price Office and Brian Smith (OSM)

Given to: Sue Linner and Joe Helfrich - DOGM

Inspectors Signature and Number: *Howard J. [Signature]* #27 Date: 11/18/88