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INSPECTION REPORT

INSPECTION DATE & TIME: 2/19/92-2/20/92
1:30 pm - 3:50 pm, 8:00 am - 9:40 am

Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Castle Valley Resources
Business Address: Box 766, Wellington, UT, 84542
Mine Name: Wellington Prep. Plant Permit Number: Act 007/012
Type of Mining Activity: Underground Surface Other x
County: Carbon Company Official(s): Hue Ariotti, Leroy Gatierrez
State Officials(s): Sharon Falvey,
Federal Official(s): none
Partial: Complete x Date of last Inspection: 1/30/92
Weather Conditions: Partly Cloudy/Cloudy
Acreage: Permitted 1720 Disturbed 356 Regraded 1.5 Seeded 1.5
Bonded 469 Enforcement Action: no

COMPLIANCE WITH PERMITS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

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

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1. Permits

The transfer of permit rights, indicating Castle Valley Resources (CVR) as permittee was granted by the Division on December 6, 1991. The permittee representative is requested to sign and return a copy of the document. The permit copy could not be located at the mine while I was there. I requested that Jon Passic submit a signed copy by the end of the day Friday February 21, 1992. In a phone message left from Jon Passic on Friday, he indicated the signed permit was being mailed that day. Earlier I informed him by phone that the permit requires CVR to submit the changes brought about by the transfer as an amendment to their MRP. CVR had 60 days (until February 4, 1992) to submit the amendment and comply with the additional listed stipulations. However, on January 10, 1992 Lowell Braxton extended the submittal date for outstanding permit stipulations to March 31, 1992, as well as, a request for completion of an annual report information sheet.

The operator submitted the remainder of the new plan, with the exception of some pond modifications, including bonding and reclamation on December 2, 1991. The operator has submitted information for the Refuse Basin sedimentation Pond and the Slurry Pipeline Sediment Pond received at the Division on February 4, 1992. The expansion/modification of the Dryer Sediment Pond was extended by the Division on January 6, 1991 to May 1, 1992. At that time the applicant will have completed their submittal and the Division will begin review. An additional application and approval for prefix change from R614 to R645 was granted on February 6, 1992.

Insurance policy 3710-3989 effective 1-1-92 through 1-1-93 was FAXed to the office and was available for my review. The insurance policy covers operations at the Genwal Co. Crandall Canyon mine ACT 015-032 as well as the Wellington Preparation Plant. Coverage limits meets requirements for double coverage. The operator should submit a copy to the Division for their files.

The Division received a fines removal report, on January 9, and February 12, 1992. Approximately 20 tons of fines were removed, blended and placed in the standard coal piles in December. No fines removal occurred during January and none is projected for February.

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2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

The operator has changed the signs at the site to reflect the change in operations at the entrance to the property. The operator has yet to replace the signs for two MSHA ponds. The delay is due to operators effort to replace the signs with more durable stands. These signs must be replaced before the next inspection.

4. Hydrologic Balance

c) Sediment Ponds And Impoundments

Certified inspection reports for the 4th quarter MSHA ponds and refuse piles were received at the Division on January 13, 1992, as well as the 4th quarter water monitoring report. First quarter reports for 1992 were not completed at this time. An accurate description of the gully formations were not included on previous quarterly inspections. Be sure an accurate description is correct on the 1st quarter inspection for 1992.

e) Surface and Ground Water Monitoring

Water samples taken from the train hopper at the north end of the site during the last inspection resulted in the attached analysis. The analysis of the sample is within the range of values for groundwater at surrounding monitoring locations.

The operator has removed the fire extinguisher and some other items that were floating in the water. The operator is requested to remove the additional items floating on the water surface and dispose of the items in appropriate waste disposal facilities.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Brian Smith (OSM), Candy Manzanares

Given to: Joe Helfrich and Daron Haddock, Wayne Western, DOGM

Inspector's Signature & Number: Sharon K. Felver #38 Date: 2/21/92