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INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: 01/25/2002 / 10:00am-2:30pm
Date of Last Inspection: 12/20/2001

Mine Name: Wellington Preparation Plant County: Carbon Permit Number: C/007/012
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Nevada Electric Investment Company (NEICO)
Business Address: c/o Mt. Nebo Scientific, P.O. Box 337, Springville, Utah 84663
Type of Mining Activity: Underground Surface Prep. Plant XXX Other
Company Official(s): Patrick Collins
State Official(s): Stephen J. Demczak Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Cooled, partly snow covered, 20's
Existing Acreage: Permitted 1573.5 Disturbed 392 Regraded Seeded
Status: Active XXX

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
a. For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
b. For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
2. Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

Table with 4 columns: EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows include: PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; SIGNS AND MARKERS; TOPSOIL; HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; EXPLOSIVES; DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES; COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS; NONCOAL WASTE; PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES; SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE; CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION; BACKFILLING AND GRADING; REVEGETATION; SUBSIDENCE CONTROL; CESSATION OF OPERATIONS; ROADS; OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES; SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS; AVS CHECK; AIR QUALITY PERMIT; BONDING & INSURANCE.

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(COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE)

1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE

The permittee has no amendments being reviewed by the Division. However, the permittee will be submitting an amendment in the near future to remove the slurry pipeline bridge crossing the Price River. When the Coal Preparation Plant was operating, the slurry pipeline would transport the coal fines to the slurry ponds. Since, the Coal Preparation Plant has been reclaimed now for several years. There is no need to have the slurry bridge and pipeline. The permittee has been contacted by a company for acquisition of the pipe and bridge.

The amendment being submitted by the permittee will need to address: sediment control, topsoil, and revegetation, and the survey of birds' nests in the affected area. This survey was done by the permittee and the inspector during the inspection. No nests were found on the bridge or within the affected area.

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

Spot-checks of the disturbed area markers were made throughout the property. The permittee was in compliance.

3. TOPSOIL

The topsoil piles were inspected and there were no signs of wind or water erosion. The topsoil piles are surrounded by berms.

4A. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: DIVERSIONS

The diversions were spot-checked and were found to comply with the requirements of the Mining and Reclamation Plan and the R645 Coal Rules. The undisturbed diversion located above the westside property will need to be cleaned out in the near future. Rain storms in the fall have caused some sediment to build-up and erosion has occurred.

4B. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS

No hazardous conditions were noticed. No sediment pond was discharging during the inspection.

4C. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES

Siltation structures were inspected and complied the R645 Coal Rules. The permittee uses straw bales and silt fences in the disturbed area.

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4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

Third quarter water monitoring was reviewed. It consisted of checking parameters, sampling at required site locations, and holding time requirements for water samples. No problems were found with the requirements in the R645 Coal Rules and the MRP. The fourth quarter water monitoring samples have been taken and analyzed by the lab. This information is currently being submitted to the Division. The first quarter water samples are being taken.

8. NONCOAL WASTE

The area was clear of non-coal waste material.

9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES

A survey was made of birds' nests on the bridge and the area that will be affected by the removal of the bridge. This inspection was made by the permittee and the inspector during the inspection.

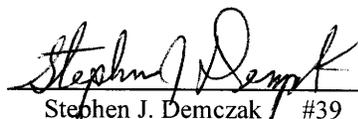
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS

No new support facilities were built since the last inspection.

21. BONDING AND INSURANCE

The removal of the bridge will not significantly reduce the bonding amount unless the concrete footers are removed.

Inspector's Signature:


Stephen J. Demczak #39

Date: January 29, 2002

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining.

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