



State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: ___ Complete: X Exploration: ___
Inspection Date & Time: 28 May 1993/08:00 to 12:30
Date of Last Inspection: 27 April 1993

Mine Name: Gordon Creek 2, 7 & 8 County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/016
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Mountain Coal Company
Business Address: P.O. Box 1378 Price, Utah 84501
Type of Mining Activity: Underground X Surface ___ Prep. Plant ___ Other ___
State Official(s): Jess Kelley
Company Official(s): Dan Guy
Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Sunny and warm
Existing Acreage: Permitted-2289 Disturbed-17.2 Regraded-___ Seeded-___ Bonded-17.2
Increased/Decreased: Permitted-___ Disturbed-___ Regraded-___ Seeded-___ Bonded-___
Status: ___Exploration/___Active/ X Inactive/___Temporary Cessation/___Bond Forfeiture
Reclamation (___Phase I/___Phase II/___Final Bond Release/___Liability ___Year)

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

Instructions

- Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - 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.
 - For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. TOPSOIL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. WATER MONITORING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. EXPLOSIVES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. NONCOAL WASTE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) <u>5/28/93</u> (date)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

Mining operations ceased at this site in December of 1990. Portals have been closed and sealed and all buildings and other structures have been removed. The operator is presently redoing the reclamation plan as ordered by the Division. The earthwork phase of final reclamation is expected to take place late in the summer of 1993, after Division approval of the new reclamation plan.

1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE

- (a) Permit ACT/007/016 was issued 8/1/89 and is in force through 8/13/94.
- (b) SPCC (Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure) Plan was certified 1/21/93 by Dan Guy.

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

The main gate and the permit identification sign are in place. A permit identification sign is in place at Sweets Pond, which is separate from the main site area. Sweets Pond, incidentally, collects water for transfer to water trucks and serves no sediment control purpose.

3. TOPSOIL

Topsoil stockpiles are vegetated and drainage controls are in good condition. All stockpiles are clearly marked by small signs.

4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE

- a. **Diversions**--Ditches and culverts are being maintained in accordance with the approved plan and are in good condition. All have handled the spring runoff without damage or any other problems.
- b. **Sediment Ponds and Impoundments**--Ponds #7A, #2, and Sweets Pond were inspected 5/13/93 by Mel Coonrod. All were certified 10/27/92 by Dan Guy.
- d. **Water Monitoring**--Monitoring points 2-1W, 2-2W, 2-3W, 2-4W, 2-7W, 2-8W, 2-9W, and 2-10W were sampled 3/10/93 and the water monitoring report submitted to the Division 4/29/93. Monitoring point 2-2W is inactive. None of the points had any discharge.

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12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING

As mentioned above, the earthwork phase of reclamation is expected to take place toward the end of the summer of 1993. Backfilling of the sealed portals and minor grading in conjunction with building removal are the only backfilling and grading that have taken place so far.

19. AVS CHECK

Mountain Coal Company is listed as the permittee on all documents.

21. BONDING AND INSURANCE

- (a) UPDES Permit UTG040004 expired 4/30/93. The permittee is in the process of renewing the permit. A 4/28/93 letter to Dan Guy from Steven R. McNeal of the Division of Water Quality states that the permit will remain in force during the renewal process. A complete application for a new permit was signed and sent to the Division of Water Quality 5/20/93 by Kathleen G. Welt of Mountain Coal Company.
- (b) Bond U-629965 is held with United Pacific Insurance Company in the amount of \$641,443. The bond was issued 7/10/87 on 17.2 acres.
- (c) Liability Insurance Policy ISL G1 519134-A is held with Insurance Company of North America. The policy was issued 1/1/93 and is in force through 1/1/96.
- (d) Automobile Liability Insurance Policy ISA 00 2353 is also held with Insurance Company of North America. The policy was issued 1/1/93 and is in force through 1/1/96.
- (e) Excess Liability Insurance Policy X00 G 1519135-1 is also held with the Insurance Company of North America. The policy was issued 1/1/93 and is in force through 1/1/96.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Bernie Freeman (OSM); Kathleen G. Welt (MCC)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM); Price Field Office (DOGM)

Inspector's Signature: _____

Jease W. Kelley

#34 Date: 6/7/93