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# State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

## INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial:  Complete:  Exploration:   
Inspection Date & Time: 12/20/94 8:30 to 11:00  
Date of Last Inspection: 11/22/94

Mine Name: Gordon Creek #3 & #6 County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/017  
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Mountain Coal Company  
Business Address: P.O. Box 591, Somerset, CO 81434  
Type of Mining Activity: Underground X Surface  Prep. Plant  Other   
State Official(s): Susan White  
Company Official(s): Dan Guy  
Federal Official(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Weather Conditions: Cold  
Existing Acreage: Permitted-668 Disturbed-28 Regraded-0 Seeded-28 Bonded-28  
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-  
Status:  Exploration/  Active/  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.

	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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. TOPSOIL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) _____ (date)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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)

No attempt was made to access the site. Dan had stated that he had tried to drive to the site earlier and the road was snow covered. This inspection consisted only of an office review of the records.

### 1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE

The reclamation permit was issued November 12, 1991 and expires September 19, 1996. The permit had two special conditions attached; Condition #1 R614-301-300 Biology (SW) and Condition #2 R614-301-400 Land Use (SW). A memo from Susan M. White dated February 20, 1992, states that both conditions have been adequately addressed.

A Phase II bond release was granted by the Division November 14, 1994. As of yet, the permittee has not reduced the bond amount.

UPDES Permit UTG040014 is effective August 1, 1993 and expires April 30, 1998. The permit authorizes discharge into Coal Canyon tributary to North Fork of Gordon Creek.

### 4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:

b. Sediment Ponds - The third quarter pond inspection was conducted August 11, 1994 by Mel Coonrod. No problems were noted.

d. Water Monitoring- All required water monitoring was conducted, reported and observed in the operators records for the third quarter of 1994. All stations were reported as dry.

e. Effluent Limitations- All required reporting was completed and in order, no discharge was noted.

### 21. BONDING AND INSURANCE

All bonding and insurance documentation was in order. Liability insurance, effective 1/1/93 to 1/1/96, is held by Insurance Company of North America, a CIGNA Property and

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Casualty Company. The carried limits, \$500,000 per occurrence, meet the regulatory requirement for liability insurance.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Tom Ehmett (OSM), Paige Beville (MCC)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM)

Inspector's Signature:

Susan M. White # 35 Date: 12/23/94