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INSPECTION REPORT DIVISION OF OIL GAS & MINING

Permit No. ACT/007/018 Inspection Date: December 16-17, 1991
Permittee and/or Operators Name: Soldier Creek Coal Co.
Business Address: P.O. Box I City: Price State: Utah Zip: 84501
Mine Name: Soldier Canyon County: Carbon State: Utah
Type of Mining Activity: Underground Surface Other
Company Officials: Johnny Pappas State Officials: Steve Demczak
Time Inspected: 9:00 (X)a.m. - 12:30 (X)p.m. Partial Complete:
Acreage: Permitted 4910 Disturbed 18.3 Regraded 0
Seeded 0 Bonded 22.8 Date of Last Inspection: November 19-20, 1991
Weather Conditions: Clear 20's Enforcement Action: None

COMPLIANCE WITH PERMITS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

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

Permit No. ACT/007/018 Inspection Date December 16-17, 1991(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)1. Permits -

- a. Soldier Creek is presently going through the public comment which is a requirement for permit renewal. The MRP was verified at the County Courthouse.
- b. A follow-up of the diesel storage tanks at the time of inspection showed that no diesel was leaking through the drain pipe in the retaining wall. However, there were signs of leakage at a joint in a pipe from the storage tank. In addition, Soldier Creek is using a ball valve for an on and off control for pouring diesel into equipment. This valve is also leaking. Reviewing the SPCC plan showed the following, "The SPCC Plan will be amended whenever there is a change in facility design." (A copy of this information from the Soldier Creek MRP is enclosed.) Since then, diesel tanks have become surface storage instead of underground storage. This would constitute a change in facility design.

4a. Stream Channel Diversions -

The stream channel diversions located above the newly developed portals appear to comply with the performance standards in the regulations.

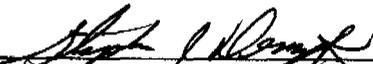
8. Noncoal Waste -

Soldier Creek takes pride in good housekeeping underground relative to noncoal waste. Hopefully, this attitude will be fully implemented on the surface.

19. AVS Check -

An AVS check was taken at the time of inspection. No new changes occurred.

Copy of report:

Mailed to: Soldier Creek Coal Co.Mailed to SLC for: Brian Smith (OSM) Joe Helfrich (DOGM)Filed to: PFO Date: December 20, 1991Inspector's Signature and Number:  #39
Stephen J. Demczak

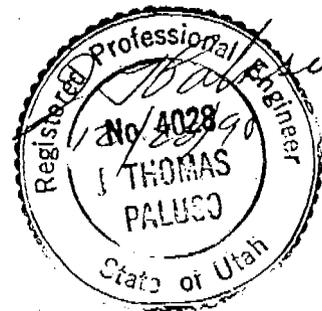
4. All personnel are briefed on the Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan, and spill prevention is discussed at regular safety meetings.

The chances of an oil spill entering surface waters from mine operations are minimal since surface run-off will be contained in the sedimentation pond; however, any oil spills not contained by the sedimentation pond will be reported to the Environmental Protection Agency immediately. All discharges at the Soldier Canyon Mine will be reported to:

EPA Region 8
1860 Lincoln Street
Denver, Colorado 80295
(303) 837-3880 (24-hour number)

and

State of Utah, Division of Health
150 W.N. Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84103
(801) 533-6145 (24-hour number)



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4.4.5 Air Pollution Control Plan [784.13(b)(9), 784.26 & 817.95]

The only significant emission to be produced by the mine is particulates. This emission is partially controlled since a covered conveyor belt is used to transfer the coal from the mine to the truck loadout facility. In addition, underground particulate levels are controlled by following MSHA regulations that require the application of water to coal as it is being mined and handled underground.

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