



State of Utah
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: 3/19/99 / 8:15a.m.-11:15a.m.
Date of Last Inspection: 2/24/99

Mine Name: Soldier Canyon Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/018
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Canyon Fuel Company
Business Address: P.O. Box 1029, Wellington, Utah 84542
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other
Company Official(s): Dave Spillman
State Officials(s): Peter Hess Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Sunny, Clear, 50's
Existing Acreage: Permitted- 6679.11 Disturbed- 29.24 Regraded- 0 Seeded- 0 Bonded- 99.94
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Status: Exploration/ XXX 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

- 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 5 columns: EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENE. Rows list various permit conditions such as PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; SIGNS AND MARKERS; TOPSOIL; HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; DIVERSIONS; SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS; etc.

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(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

NOTE: There has been little, if any change, in the site conditions at the Soldier Canyon Mine surface facilities area. The permittee is in the process of extracting high voltage cable from the underground workings. This will be stored in the REI equipment storage area adjacent to the mine site sediment pond.

3. TOPSOIL

There is no evidence of any sprouting on the freshly seeded/mulched piles of Dugout Canyon topsoil; these are located within the Soldier Canyon topsoil storage area.

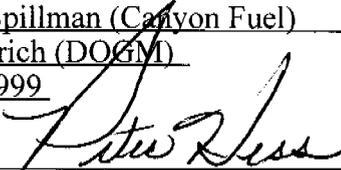
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS

Permit amendment ACT/007/018-99A was submitted as official notification of the temporary cessation of mining (until 2013, or the depletion of the Dugout Canyon reserves occurs) at the Soldier Canyon Mine. This submittal has been reviewed and forwarded to the SLO for approval, or for additional review by upper management.

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

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Dave Spillman (Canyon Fuel) Henry Austin (OSM)  
Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGMI) Filed to: Price Field Office  
Date: March 22, 1999

Inspector's Signature:  #46  
Peter Hess