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TO: Coal File, Inspection and Enforcement Folder
FROM: Tom Wright, Mining Field Specialist *TW*
RE: Tower Resources, Pinnacle Mine, ACT/007/019, Folder #7,
Carbon County, Utah

On February 20, 1985, I conducted a partial inspection of the Tower Resource operation. Alan Emmel of Tower was available and accompanied me on the inspection. The weather was cold with light snow falling. No runoff onsite was noted during this inspection.

Access to the upper storage had been plowed since the last inspection. Mr. Emmel reports that this was done to get explosives from the magazine for underground blasting.

No flow was noted on this inspection through the main undisturbed bypass. Side canyon undisturbed drainage were stable with no flow occurring. No discharge of mine water as approved into the side canyon above the coal loadout area was occurring on this inspection.

Stockpiled snow plowed from the pads appeared stored adequately with no danger of any flow bypassing sediment controls. It appears that some runoff from these may have entered the sediment ponds recently.

All sediment ponds appeared stable with no runoff entering or discharge occurring on this date. Examination of the ponds showed that sometime earlier runoff had been flowing. Mr. Emmel indicated that earlier in the week significant runoff had been occurring.

Work had been done by the operator at the culvert crossing the main road just above the turnoff to the office building. According to Mr. Emmel ice caused a partial blockage in the culvert so heating of the culvert was done to remove it. Also, the berm below the inlet to the culvert had been built up to prevent any flow from bypassing sediment controls.

No violations were noted on this inspection.

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cc: Alan Emmel, Tower Resources
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Statistics: See Beaver Creek Coal, Huntington #4 memo dated
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