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THRU: Daron Haddock, Permit Supervisor *DH*

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RE: 1996 Annual Report, Horizon Coal Company, Horizon Mine, PRO/007/020, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

SUMMARY:

The permittee submitted the Annual Report for Division approval on March 26, 1997.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

This site is in the initial stages of construction. No mining has occurred. There are, therefore, no refuse piles or excess spoil piles and there has been no subsidence monitoring.

A single sediment pond treats runoff from the entire site. The pond was inspected on December 16, 1996 by Vicky Bailey, a specialist experienced in the construction of impoundments. The inspection was done under the direction of and certified by Richard B. White, a licensed professional engineer registered in the state of Utah. A certified copy of the inspection report is found in the Annual Report. The inspection revealed no signs of instability, structural weakness, or other hazardous conditions.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the certified sediment pond inspection report be accepted by the Division as satisfying the respective regulatory requirements for the Annual Report.