

TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

Utah Coal Regulatory Program

March 26, 2004

TO: Internal File

FROM: David Darby, Reclamation Specialist III

RE: Response to Condition #1 and #2 (Permit Transfer), Hidden Splendor Resources, Horizon Mine, C/007/0020, Task #1836.

SUMMARY:

The Horizon Mine permit was transferred from Lodestar Energy, Inc. to Hidden Splendor Resources, Inc on July 1, 2003. Attachment A of the Permit reads as follows:

Attachment A Conditions

- Condition #1* *Hidden Splendor Resources, Inc. will submit water quality data for the Horizon Mine in an electronic format through the Electronic Data Input web site, <http://hlunix.hl.state.ut.us/cgi-bin/appx-ogm.cgi>.*
- Condition #2* *Hidden Splendor Resources, Inc. will update the appropriate sections of the mining and reclamation plan with the permit transfer information by August 1, 2003.*

The Division has extended the deadline for response to Condition #2 to October 15, 2003 (Outgoing Folder, letters dated August 1, 2003 and September 12, 2003).

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TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

GENERAL CONTENTS

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE INFORMATION

Regulatory Reference: Pub. L 95-87 Sections 507(b), 508(a), and 516(b); 30 CFR 783., et. al.

GENERAL

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR 783.12; R645-301-411, -301-521, -301-721.

Analysis:

Geologic information is submitted in Section 6, and a hydrologic plan is submitted in Chapter 7. The applicant has submitted well logs in Appendix 6-1 and reformatted the MRP.

Findings:

The applicant has submitted sufficient information to comply with Condition 2.

HYDROLOGIC RESOURCE INFORMATION

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR Sec. 701.5, 784.14; R645-100-200, -301-724.

Analysis:

Sampling and Analysis

Hidden Splendor Resources, Inc. has addressed Condition 1 by submitting water monitoring data to the Division of Oil Gas and Mining's Water Monitoring Database. A current review of the data on December 11, 2003, and a meeting with Kit Pappas, Environmental Coordinator at Hidden Splendor Resources, Horizon Mine, confirms that the necessary data is and will be submitted to the database.

Findings:

The applicant is in compliance with the ongoing requirements of Condition #1.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the response for Conditions # 2 be approved.