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Memo to Coal File:

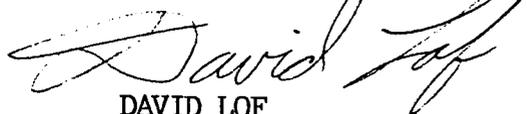
RE: Blazon #1 Mine
Blazon Company
ACT/007/021
Carbon County, Utah

The above-mentioned mining operation was visited on August 20, 1981, by Division Reclamation Officers Tom Portle and Dave Lof. They were accompanied on the inspection by Kirk Harvey, mine engineer for Blazon Company.

On August 7, 1981, Blazon was issued a violation; failure to protect stockpiled topsoil from wind and water erosion, unnecessary compaction and contaminants. Inspectors discussed with the operator possible alternatives for protecting the stockpiled topsoil, which may be implemented for the abatement of the violation.

~~Blazon has a small storage pad on the south end of their permit area just off the road which leads up to their portal pad. Division inspectors expressed concern over the possibility of disturbed area runoff leaving the storage pad without being treated. Inspectors discussed with the operator the possibility of constructing an earthen berm around the perimeter of the storage pad with a straw bale as an outlet structure, in order to filter out sediments. However, no deadline was established at that time for implementation of the structure.~~

~~During the development of the access road to the mine portals, some underground development waste was stockpiled and stored on and near the southern most stream crossing. Most of the waste had been removed and disposed of, however, there was still some waste which needed to be disposed of. The operator was asked to clean up and properly dispose of these residual waste in their mine waste fill.~~



DAVID LOF
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cc: Tom Ehmett, OSM
Inspection Staff
Kirk Harvey, Blazon

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Statistics:

See Convulsion Canyon Mine memo dated August 31, 1981
Grant: A & E