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TO: Coal File, Inspection and Enforcement  
FROM: Tom Wright, Mining Field Specialist <sup>TW</sup>  
RE: North American Equities, Blazon Mine, INA/007/021, Folder #7, Carbon County, Utah

On November 29, 1984 Division Field Specialists Ken Wyatt and Tom Wright conducted an inspection of the Blazon Mine. This inspection was to check on completion of abatement for Notice of Violation N84-8-2-1 and any activity on the site.

Notice of Violation N84-8-2-1 had been issued for failure to maintain sediment controls. In this case a drainage culvert routing disturbed runoff from the upper side of the mine refuse pile had plugged, ponding water on the back of the refuse.

We attempted to contact Dee Hunsaker, the mine caretaker but he was unavailable so we attempted to drive the mine. At the haulroad entrance we met Mel Coonrod, who has been contracted to do the water sampling for the mine. Mr. Coonrod informed us that the road was blocked by snow drifts and we were unable to drive to the site. As we were unable to drive into the mine Inspector Wyatt and I walked in.

Heavy snow covered the entire area with some drifts over four feet in depth. Many of the features on the area including berms and some culverts were not visible. No runoff or discharge from sediment ponds was occurring. It appeared that no activity had occurred on the site during this week.

The new 12 inch culvert had been installed under the refuse pile according to plans approved by the Division. Both inlet and outlet structures were located and appeared functional.

Most of the ditchline dug for installation of the culvert remains open as weather has prevented replacement. This material is bladed into piles on each side of the ditch and appears stable. This must be bladed back next spring reestablishing the shape and contour of the refuse pile.

As a result of the work done Notice of Violation N84-8-2-1 was terminated effective November 30, 1984.

cc: Donna Griffin  
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