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February 23, 1981

Memo to Coal File:

RE: Castle Valley Spur
ACT/007/022
Carbon County, Utah

The above-mentioned operation was given a partial inspection on February 19, 1981, by Joe Helfrich and Sally Kefer from the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining and John Hardaway, Helen Barker and John Nadolski from the Office of Surface Mining. State and federal employees were accompanied by Dan Guy, Ken Wangurud and Dave Chenoweth from Beaver Creek Coal Company. Topics of discussion included the status of the pumphouse located on the Price River that supplies water to the C.V. Spur site, the pipeline running from the pumphouse to the site, classification of the access road leading from the pumphouse to the site and the reclamation status of the C.V. Spur area.

Cultural Resources

Utah Power & Light--Pre-law disturbance
Swisher Coal Company--Pre-law disturbance
Beaver Creek Coal--present disturbance
Beaver Creek Coal--anticipated disturbance

In reference to the pumphouse located on the Price River, OSM personnel felt this facility should be included in ARCO's permit application, even though the postmining land-use may be designated for agricultural purposes. In reference to the reclamation requirements for the C.V. Spur site, Dave Chenoweth and Ken Wangurud questioned the extent of reclamation efforts on each of the above-mentioned delineated areas. During the field tour, State and federal employees were acquainted with topsoil and subsoil stockpiles, pre-law and present surface disturbances and revegetation efforts. Approximately 1/10 of an acre of the C.V. Spur site has been reclaimed. This area is located south-east of the wash plant adjacent to the conveyor leading from the wash plant to the railroad silo. Reclamation efforts consisted of ripping, seeding and spreading a straw mulch over the area.


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Statistics:

See Tower Resources memo dated February 20, 1981.