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# State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

## INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial:      Complete: XX Exploration     

Inspection Date/Time: June 23, 1993/08:00am-01:30pm

Date of Last Inspection: May 11, 1993

Mine Name: Banning Loadout County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/034  
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Soldier Creek Coal Company/Savage Coal Co.  
Business Address: P. O. Box I, Price, UT 84501  
Type of Mining Activity: Underground Surface      Prep. Plant      Other XX  
Officials(s): State: Stephen J. Demczak Company: Tom Paluso  
Federal Official(s):      Weather Conditions: Warm 80's  
Existing Acreage: Permitted-36 Disturbed-21 Regraded-     Seeded-     Bonded-21.6  
Increased/Decreased: Permitted-     Disturbed-     Regraded-     Seeded-     Bonded-      
Status:      Exploration/ X Active/      Inactive/      Temp Cessation/      Bond Forfeiture  
Reclamation (      Phase I/      Phase II/      Final Bond Release/      Liability      Year)

### REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

#### Instructions

- Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  - For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
  - For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	[XX]	[ ]	[XX]	[ ]
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
3. TOPSOIL	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	[XX]	[ ]	[XX]	[ ]
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	[XX]	[ ]	[XX]	[ ]
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	[XX]	[ ]	[XX]	[ ]
d. WATER MONITORING	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
5. EXPLOSIVES	[ ]	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	[ ]	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	[ ]	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]
8. NONCOAL WASTE	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
13. REVEGETATION	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	[ ]	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June)	[XX]	[ ]	[XX]	[ ]
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	[XX]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

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1. Permit -

- a) The NPDES permit UT6040011 expired on April 30, 1993. An extension has been granted for the existing permit until the new permit is approved and finalized. Enclosed is a copy of a letter to the operator granting the extension. No discharge of the pond had occurred in the first or second quarter of 1993.
- b) The insurance company is Travelers Indemnity Company. The policy number is TLJSLG-186T908-A-91. The policy is self renewing and has no expiration date.
- c) The reclamation agreement is for the amount of \$211,000 and expires October 12, 1993. The agreement was signed by the operator and the Division director on October 20, 1988. The disturbed area in the reclamation agreement is 21.4 acres.
- d) Permit will expire on October 25, 1993. The present permit was signed by the Division and the permit holder.
- e) The sediment pond was inspected on May 14, 1993 in which the quarterly inspection report denoted the repairing rills on the inslopes of the pond.

4a. Diversions -

Diversion ditches were measured in the field and compared with the design drawing. The diversions are built larger than the design.

4b. Sediment Ponds and Impoundments -

The sediment pond was inspected and work was done on the inslopes of the pond to eliminate small rills. The pond was dry.

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4c. Other Sediment Control Measures -

Silt fences were maintained and would appear to function as designed.

19. AVS Check -

An AVS check has been taken at the mine site with no new changes in ownership and control.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Soldier Creek Coal Company

Mailed to: Bernie Freeman (OSM)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM)

Filed to: Price Field Office

Date: June 28, 1993

Inspector's Signature and Number:

  
Stephen J. Demczak

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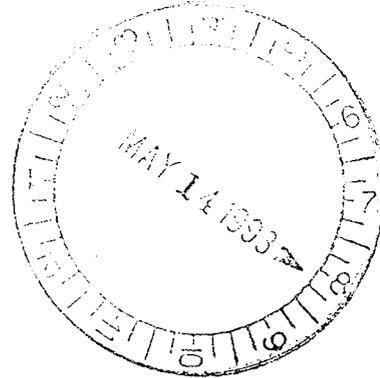


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May 11, 1993



J. T. Paluso  
Soldier Creek Coal  
P.O. Box 1  
Price, Utah 84501

Re: Renewal of UPDES Permit UTG040011, Soldier  
Creek Coal

Dear Mr. Paluso:

This is to acknowledge the receipt of your request to have your current Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit renewed. Accordingly, we will begin processing your permit for reissuance. The renewal process is the same as with your existing permit. The conditions of your existing permit will be reevaluated and, if you have asked for special considerations in the renewal permit, I will contact you for further discussion of the subject. A public notice is required prior to the issuance of a renewal permit.

A fee schedule was included in the Utah Department of Environmental Quality budget appropriation request of the Legislature and in accordance with *Utah Code Annotated* 19-1-201. The fee schedule, as approved by the Legislature, includes a prescribed fee for specific Industrial Categories. The prescribed fee for a Coal Mining and Preparation category, Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System general permit is \$ 1,800. Please be advised that upon issuance of this permit you will be billed for this amount.

In the advent that a renewal permit has not been issued prior to the expiration date contained in your existing permit there will be an automatic continuation of that permit. This is provided for in *Utah Administrative Code*, Section R317-8-3.1. You should be aware that, under the terms of this regulation, all of the requirements, conditions, and limitations of your existing permit will remain in full effect until the renewal permit is issued.

If you have any questions, please call me at (801) 538-6146.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Herkimer, Environmental Scientist  
Permits & Compliance Section

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cc: Judy Kobus-Fisk, U.S. EPA Region VIII  
Claron D. Bjork, Southeastern Utah District Health Dept.  
Dave Ariotti, District Engineer