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INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: 12/10/00 9:00a.m.-2:00p.m.
Date of Last Inspection: 11/3/2000

Mine Name: Sunnyside Refuse/Slurry County: Carbon Permit Number: C/0077055
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Sunnyside Cogeneration Associates
Business Address: P.O. Box 10, East Carbon, Utah 84520
Type of Mining Activity: Underground Surface XXX Prep. Plant Other
Company Official(s): Rusty Netz
State Official(s): Bill Malencik Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Clear, Cold, 30-40's, Snow at the mine site
Existing Acreage: Permitted 310 Disturbed 202 Regraded Seeded
Status: Active XXX

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
a. 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.
b. For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
2. Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

Table with 4 columns: EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows include categories like PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; SIGNS AND MARKERS; TOPSOIL; HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; EXPLOSIVES; DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES; COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS; PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES; SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE; CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION; BACKFILLING AND GRADING; REVEGETATION; SUBSIDENCE CONTROL; CESSATION OF OPERATIONS; ROADS; OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES; SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS; AVS CHECK; AIR QUALITY PERMIT; BONDING & INSURANCE; OTHER: COAL.

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(COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE)

GENERAL COMMENTS

A partial inspection of the Sunnyside Cogeneration Mine was completed on 12/13/2000. These are the highlights of the inspection:

-Midterm was completed on 8/22/2000. There is only one pending item, small area exemptions. Scott Carlson and the permittee will address the current problems and respond to the Division.

-Coal is being moved to Sunnyside Cogeneration. Please refer to #22 below labeled "Coal" for more details.

4A. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: DIVERSIONS

The majority of the site's diversions were clean and appeared to be capable of functioning as designed. There were no problems noted.

4B. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS

The disturbed area contains eleven impoundments, of which seven are sediment ponds. There are four slurry approved impoundments. Slurry cell one and two are non-MSHA impoundments.

The east and west slurry cells are MSHA impoundments. These are monitored weekly. All slurry cells are inactive. This occurred when the Sunnyside Mine closed and no longer washed coal in 1994. The pond inspection reports were reviewed for the third quarter. No problems were noted. No impoundment was discharging during the inspection.

6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS WASTE/FILLS/BENCHES

The permittee has an approved site to store spoil and tippie processing waste. Currently, spoil is stored in the decommissioned slurry cell as approved in the MRP. The waste is being placed in the slurry cell #1. The operation has moved into slurry cell #2.

Three sites were approved so that coal material would be stored on the spoil piles and not on the refuse pile. The three spoil piles were inspected for the third quarter and no problems were noted.

7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS

The permittee is currently mining the west slurry cell and contiguous refuse pile. No mining has started on the east slurry cell.

No hazardous conditions relative to the waste pile were noted during the inspection. The third quarter inspection report was completed as required. Quarterly inspections were performed on all piles except for the east and west slurry cells, which are inspected weekly.

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8. NONCOAL WASTE

The area was clear of non-coal waste except for a few pop cans located at the area where test drilling occurs. The permittee will remove these.

22. OTHER: COAL

Coal is now being moved from Horizon to Sunnyside Cogeneration. Talked with Mr. Netz and he advised me that they have a written agreement with Horizon. On 12/18/2000, I called Mr. Mark Wayment and he advised me they would be paying the AML fees. On 12/21/2000, I called Mr. Netz and advised him of my conversation with Mr. Wayment.

Inspector's Signature: _____



Wm. J. Malencik #26

Date: December 21, 2000

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

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