

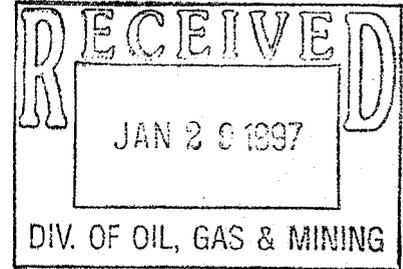
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Attn: Pamela Grubaugh-Littig

ACT/007/004 #6

RE: FOURTH QUARTER 1996 REFUSE PILE CERTIFICATION AND BARN
CANYON DIVERSION CGD-5 SURVEY

Copy ACT/007/038 #6

Dear Ms. Littig,

Enclosed is a copy of the fourth quarter 1996 refuse pile certification and Barn Canyon diversion CGD-5 survey for the Cyprus Plateau Mining Company's Willow Creek Mine and the AMAX Coal Company's Castle Gate Mine permits.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben Grimes'.

Ben Grimes
Sr. Staff Project Engineer

Enclosures

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AMAX Coal Company

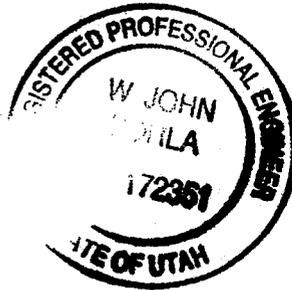
Quarterly Refuse Pile Certification
Fourth Quarter, 1996

I hereby certify that I am a registered professional engineer in the State of Utah. I certify that I have made an inspection of the coal processing refuse pile at AMAX Coal Company's Castle Gate Mine in Carbon County Utah. The refuse pile has been constructed and maintained as designed. There are no apparent areas of instability, structural weakness or other hazardous conditions. The piezometer monitoring wells on the first and second terraces are dry.



John Borla P.E. #172351

Date: 12-30-96



CASTLE GATE
BARN CANYON DIVERSION CGD-5
MONITORING POINTS

STATION	DISTANCE FROM TOP OF PIN TO FLOW LINE					CHANGE	
	ORIG. 12/94	QUARTER 1 1995	QUARTER 2 1995	QUARTER 3 1995	QUARTER 4 1995	LAST	ACC
#1	2.68	2.69	2.70	2.69	2.66	+0.03	+0.02
#2	2.13	*1.97	2.00	1.96	1.95	+0.01	+0.18
#3	2.64	**2.40	2.40	2.40	2.36	+0.04	+0.04

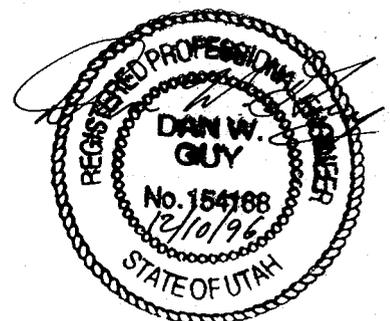
STATION	DISTANCE FROM TOP OF PIN TO FLOW LINE				CHANGE	
	QUARTER 1 1996	QUARTER 2 1996	QUARTER 3 1996	QUARTER 4 1996	LAST	ACC
		06/28/96	09/26/96	12/10/96		
#1	2.66	2.64	2.55	2.55	0.00	0.13
#2	* 1.85	1.79	2.15	2.15	0.00	-0.02
#3	2.36	2.20	2.38	2.30	+0.08	+0.10

NOTE:

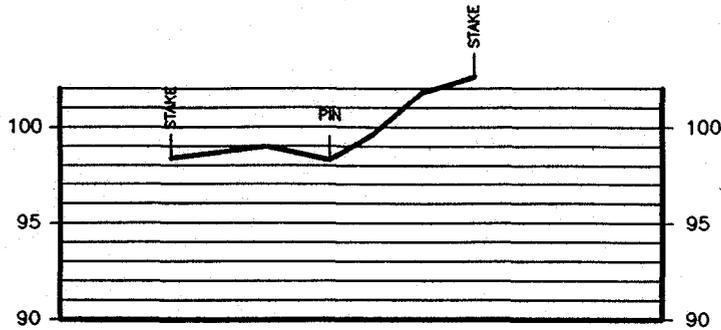
- (1) All stations were installed on 12/13/94.
- (2) Cross-sections will be taken annually.
- (3) Measurements from top of pin to the flowline will be taken quarterly.

* Increase due to Side Sluffage.

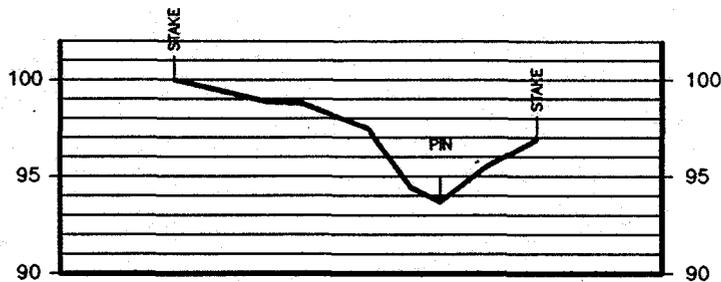
** Reset 03/29/95 - Originally in Frozen Ground.



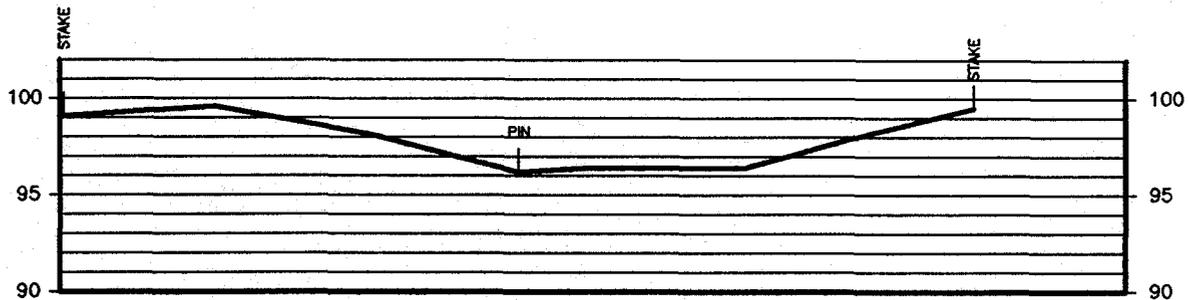
CASTLE GATE
DIVERSION CGD-5
MONITORING POINTS
CROSS-SECTIONS



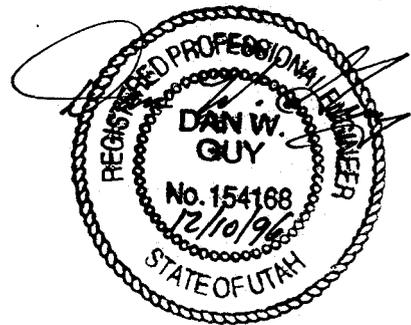
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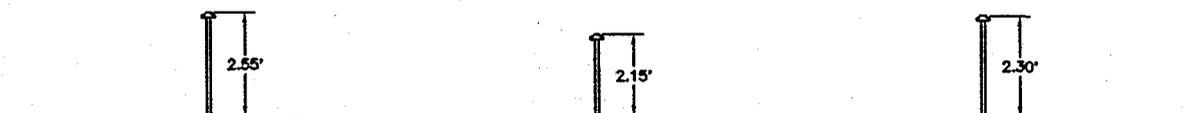
CROSS-SECTION #2



CROSS-SECTION #1



NOTE: (1) SECTION VIEW LOOKING UP FROM BARN CANYON.
(2) ELEVATIONS ARE RELATIVE.



CROSS-SECTION #1

CROSS-SECTION #2

CROSS-SECTION #3