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June 23, 1999

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Re: Incomplete Application to Add Federal Lease, Canyon Fuel Company, LLC., Dugout Canyon Mine, ACT/007/039-SR99D, Folder #3, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Pick:

The Division has completed an initial review of the application to add federal lease U07064-027821 to the Dugout Canyon Mine, received on May 21, 1999. Your application is not considered to be administratively complete at this time. There are a few areas in the application that need additional information in order for us to complete our review. We have enclosed a Completeness Worksheet that discusses the categories reviewed and identifies those areas that are deficient. Please review it carefully. You will need to supply additional information for those categories that are not checked as administratively complete. Please provide this by no later than July 22, 1999 in order for us to keep this in our review process.

You should note that this is an administrative review only. There may be other technical problems with your plan that we have not identified. A technical review of your plan can only be completed after it is determined to be administratively complete.

Another issue with regard to the Dugout Canyon Mine, that has been confusing to us and should be clarified is who is authorized to represent Canyon Fuel Company. Currently, you (Richard Pick) are listed in the approved Mining and Reclamation plan as the contact person. We have received correspondence and documents from a variety of other individuals, none of whom are identified in the plan as authorized individuals. We would appreciate some clarification on this issue.

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Thank you for your help in the permitting process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daron R. Haddock". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D" and "H".

Daron R. Haddock  
Permit Supervisor

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLETENESS REVIEW WORKSHEET  
(R645-301-150)

DATE: June 21, 1999 REVIEWER(S): Jim Smith, Paul Baker, Steve Demczak

APPLICANT: Dugout Canyon Mine, Canyon Fuel Company, LLC FILE NO. ACT/07/039-SR99D

"Administratively Complete Application" means an application for permit approval or approval for coal exploration, where required, which the Division determines to contain information addressing each application requirement of the State Program and to contain all information necessary to initiate processing and public review.

Directions: The categories listed below correspond to the minimum requirements for information necessary to initiate processing and public review. If a category is checked the Applicant has met the Completeness requirement for that category. If a category is not checked, the Completeness requirements have not been met. The comments column will identify the deficiency and what is necessary to correct it.

Comments

301-112	Identification of Interests <u> X </u>	Most of this information is unchanged from the current mining and reclamation plan.
100	Applicant's Business Structure <u> X </u>	
210	Applicant's Name/Address/Phone <u> X </u>	
220	Resident Agent's Name/Address/Phone <u> X </u>	
230	Name/Address/Phone of AML Fees Payer <u> X </u>	
300	Corporate Structure & Ownership <u> X </u>	
400	Identify Other Mining Operations in US <u> X </u>	

222	Soil Survey	<u>N/A</u>	
224	Substitute Topsoil Info (When Proposed)	<u>N/A</u>	
230	Operation Plan: Topsoil Handling/Removal/Storage	<u>N/A</u>	
240	Reclamation Plan: Soil Redistribution/Stabilization	<u>N/A</u>	

Comments

301-300	Biology	<u>      </u>	See comments below.
321	Vegetation Information	<u>  X  </u>	
322	Fish and Wildlife Information	<u>      </u>	It appears there could be riparian vegetation along Pace Creek, but Plate 3-1 does not show what vegetation type occurs in this area. The map needs to show what vegetation community is in the area, and the application should contain a discussion on potential effects of mining on this vegetation.
323	Maps/Photos: Vegetation-Fish-Wildlife Areas	<u>      </u>	See above.
330	Operation Plan: Vegetation-Fish-Wildlife Protection	<u>  X  </u>	
341	Reclamation Plan for Revegetation	<u>  X  </u>	
342	Fish & Wildlife Plan for Reclamation Phase	<u>  X  </u>	

301-400	Land Use and Air Quality	<u>    X    </u>	Information appears to be complete, but some of the required information may be in the plan for the Soldier Canyon Mine.
411	Pre-Mining Land Use Information (Includes Cultural Resources)	<u>    X    </u>	
412	Post-Mining Land Use Information	<u>    X    </u>	

Comments

301-500	Engineering	<u>    X    </u>	
510 and 520	General Description of Operation Plan: (Maps, Locations, Cross-Sections, Narrative, Descriptions & Calculations)	<u>    X    </u>	Meets ACR requirements.
522	Coal Recovery Description	<u>    X    </u>	Meets ACR requirements.
523	Mining Methods	<u>    X    </u>	Meets ACR requirements.
524	Blasting and Explosives Plan	<u>    X    </u>	
525	Subsidence Control Plan	<u>    X    </u>	Meets ACR requirements.
526	Mine Facilities Description (Narrative, Plans, Maps) Including Existing Structures & Support Facilities	<u>    X    </u>	
527	Transportation Facilities (Including Plans & Maps)	<u>    X    </u>	
528	Coal Mine Waste Plans (Description & Designs)	<u>    X    </u>	Text has been changed.
529	Management of Mine Openings (Design)	<u>    X    </u>	

531	General Plans for Structures	<u>  X  </u>	
532	Sediment Control	<u>  X  </u>	
533	Impoundments	<u>  X  </u>	Not Required for review

**Comments**

301-534	Roads (Plans, Drawings, Designs, & Specifications)	<u>  X  </u>	Text has been changed.
535	Spoil	<u>  X  </u>	No excess spoil generated.
536	Coal Mine Waste	<u>  X  </u>	Text has been changed.
537	Regraded Slopes	<u>  X  </u>	Not Required.
540 541-542	Reclamation Narrative, Maps and Plans	<u>  X  </u>	Not required.
551	Casing and Sealing: Underground Openings	<u>  X  </u>	Not required.
553	Backfilling and Grading Description	<u>  X  </u>	Not required.

301-600	Geology	<u>  X  </u>	
621	Description of Geology (Permit & Adjacent Area)	<u>  X  </u>	
622	Geologic Cross-Sections, Maps, and Plans	<u>  X  </u>	

630	Plans for Casing and Sealing Holes	___X___	
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**Comments**

301-700	Hydrology	_____	The significant revision lacks baseline data on surface and ground water. There is no operational monitoring plan for the significant revision area.
721	Description of Hydrologic Resources: (Permit and Adjacent Area)	_____	The description of ground-water resources in the current MRP includes this area, but surface water in this area, in particular Pace Creek, is not included in either the MRP or the significant revision.
722	Cross-Sections and Maps: Subsurface Water - Surface Water - Monitoring Stations - Wells	___X___	
723	Sampling and Analysis	___X___	Covered by current MRP.
724	Baseline Information: Ground Water - Surface Water - Geology - Climatological & Supplemental; If Needed	_____	Limited baseline data on the "SC" springs in the current MRP. No baseline data on remaining springs or on surface water in the proposed significant revision area.
728	PHC Determination	_____	The PHC doesn't include the significant revision area.
730	General Operation Plan: Minimize Disturbance to Hydrologic Balance & Compliance with Clean Water Act	_____	The hydrologic operation plan has not been modified to include the proposed significant revision area.
731.100	Ground and Surface Water Protection	___X___	Covered by current MRP. There will be no additional surface disturbance.
731.200	Ground and Surface Water Monitoring	_____	The operational monitoring plan has not been modified to include the proposed significant revision area.

Comments

301-740	Plans and Designs: Operation and Reclamation Plan Sediment Control Measures	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP. No additional surface disturbance.
	....Siltation Structures	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP. No additional surface disturbance.
	....Sediment Ponds	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP. No additional surface disturbance.
	....Other Treatment Facilities	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP. No additional surface disturbance.
	....Diversion	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP. No additional diversions.
	....Road Drainage	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP. No additional roads.
	....Impoundments	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP. No additional surface disturbance.
	....Discharge Structures	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP.
	....Disposal of Excess Spoil	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP.
	....Coal Mine Waste	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP.
	....Disposal of Non-Coal Mine Waste	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP.
	....Casing and Sealing of Wells	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP.

Comments

301-800	Bonding and Insurance	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP. No additional surface disturbance.
820	Applicant: Have Adequate Bond at Permit Issuance	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP. No additional surface disturbance.
830	Bond Estimate and Calculations Provided	<u>N/A</u>	Covered by current MRP. No additional surface disturbance.

890	Certificate of Insurance Provided	<u>N/A</u> Covered by current MRP. No additional surface disturbance.
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302-200	Special Categories of Mining	<u>N/A</u>
210	Experimental Practices Mining	<u>N/A</u>
220	Mountaintop Removal Mining	<u>N/A</u>
230	Steep Slope Mining	<u>N/A</u>
240	Auger Mining	<u>N/A</u>
250	In Situ Processing Activities	<u>N/A</u>

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302-260	Coal Processing Plants (Not Located Within Permit Area of Mine)	<u>N/A</u>
270	Variances From Approximate Original Contour Restoration Requirements	<u>N/A</u>
280	Variances for Delay in Contemporaneous Reclamation Requirement in Combined Surface and Underground Coal Mining Activities	<u>N/A</u>
290	Small Operator Assistance Program (SOAP)	<u>N/A</u>