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UTAH
NATURAL RESOURCES
Oil, Gas & Mining

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"Failure To Abate"
FTA NO. C 2000-46-1-1A-0

cessation order

To the following Permittee or Operator:

Name West Ridge Resources, Inc.

Mine West Ridge Mine Surface Underground Other

County Carbon State Utah Telephone (435) 636-5558

Mailing Address P.O. Box 902 Price, Utah 84501

State Permit No. ACT/007/041

Ownership Category State Federal Fee Mixed

Date of inspection 2/13/2000, 19

Time of inspection 8³⁰ a.m. p.m. to 9⁵⁵ a.m. p.m.

Operator Name (other than Permittee) NA

Mailing Address _____

Under authority of the Utah Coal Mining & Reclamation Act, Section 40-10-1 et seq., *Utah Code Annotated*, 1953, the undersigned authorized representative of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining has conducted an inspection of above mine on above date and has found that a Cessation Order must be issued with respect to each of the conditions, practices or violations listed in the attachment(s). This order constitutes a separate Cessation Order for each condition, practice or violation listed.

In accordance with Section 40-10-22, *Utah Code Annotated*, you are ordered to **cease immediately** the operations described in the attachment(s) and to perform the affirmative obligations described in the attachment(s) within the designated time for abatement. Reclamation operations not directly the subject of this order shall continue while this order is in effect. You are responsible for doing all work in a safe and workmanlike manner.

The undersigned representative finds that **this order does** **does not** **require cessation of mining** expressly or in practical effect. For this purpose, "mining" means extracting coal from the earth or a waste pile, and transporting it within or from the mine site.

This order shall remain in effect until it expires as provided on reverse side of this form, or is modified, terminated or vacated by written notice of an authorized representative of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining.

Date of service/mailling 2/14/2000 Time of service/mailling 2⁵⁵ a.m. p.m.

Mike Glasson Senior Geologist
Permittee/Operator representative Title

Signature Peter Hess Title Rec Spec III
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining representative

Signature Peter Hess Identification Number #46

SEE REVERSE SIDE
WHITE-DOGM YELLOW-OSM PINK-PERMITTEE/OPERATOR GOLDENROD-NOV FILE

IMPORTANT — READ CAREFULLY

1. PENALTIES.

a. **Proposed assessment.** The Board of Oil, Gas & Mining assesses fines based upon a proposed assessment recommended by an assessment officer. You may submit written information pertaining to violation(s) covered by this order within 15 days of the date this notice or order is served on you or your agent. Information will be used by the assessment officer in determining facts surrounding the violation(s) and amount of penalty. A representative of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining will serve the proposed assessment on you or your agent within 30 days of issuance of notice or order.

b. **Assessment.** The penalty will be finalized unless you or your agent file a written request within 15 days of receipt of proposed assessment for an informal hearing before the assessment officer.

For each violation included in this notice, a penalty of up to \$5,000 may be assessed for each separate day the violation continues.

If you fail to abate any violations within the time set for abatement or for meeting any interim step, you will be assessed a minimum penalty of \$750 for each day of continuing violation beyond the time set for abatement. You will be issued a Cessation Order requiring you to cease surface coal mining operations or the portion of the operations relevant to the violation.

2. INFORMAL PUBLIC HEARING.

An informal public hearing may be held at or near the mine site if this notice requires cessation of mining, expressly or in practical effect. On the reverse of this page, the authorized representative has made a finding as to whether or not this notice

requires cessation of mining. Please review this finding and inform the authorized representative if you disagree with it. (See UMC/SMC 843.15(a).)

If this notice requires cessation of mining, the 30-day period will expire within 30 days from date you are notified unless an informal public hearing is held or waived, or the condition, practice or violation is abated within the 30-day period. You will be notified of date, time and location of hearing.

3. FORMAL REVIEW AND TEMPORARY RELIEF.

You may apply for review of this notice or assessment before the Board of Oil, Gas & Mining by submitting an application for hearing within 30 days of receipt of notice or assessment by you or your agent. Apply to:

Secretary
Board of Oil, Gas & Mining
3 Triad Center, Suite 350
Salt Lake City, UT 84180-1203.

If applying for a formal board hearing, you may submit with your petition for review a request for temporary relief from this notice. Procedures for obtaining a formal board hearing are contained in the board's Rules of Practice and Procedure and in ~~UMC 845.19~~ of the board's regulations.

4. EFFECT ON PERMIT.

The permit may be suspended or revoked if it is determined that a pattern of violations of the act, regulations or permit conditions exists, and that the violations were caused by an unwarranted or willful failure to comply.

For further information, consult Section 40-10-20, 21, 22 and 23, *Utah Code Annotated*, UMC/SMC Parts ~~843, 845, 900~~ or contact the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining at (801) 538-5340.

R645-400-350
et seq

R645-401-800
et seq

R645-400-300 et seq
R645-401 et seq



FTA

CESSATION ORDER NO. C2000-46-1-1A-0

"Failure to Cease Remedial Action of C2000-46-1-1"

Violation No. 1 of 1

Nature of condition, practice or violation

The permittee closed and locked the "C" Canyon Gate sometime during 2/12 - 2/13, as observed on 2/13 at 9:15 AM. This ignores the remedial action mandated on Page 2 of 2 of CO 2000-46-1-1.

Provisions of act, regulations or permit violated

- i) R 645-300-142 and 143
- R 645-300-121, 150
- R 645-300-141
- R 645-301-560
- UCA 40-10-20 paragraphs (5), (6), and (8)
- ACT/007/041

Check appropriate box

- Condition, practice or violation is creating an imminent danger to health or safety of the public.
- Permittee/Operator is ~~has been~~ conducting mining activities without a permit.
- Condition, practice or violation is causing or can reasonably be expected to cause significant, imminent environmental harm to land, air or water resources.
- Permittee or Operator has failed to abate Violation(s) No. 1 of 1 included in Notice of Violation No. C02000-46-1-1 within time for abatement originally fixed or subsequently extended.

Operation(s) to be ceased immediately

i) Cease closing the security gate on the "C" Canyon County Road. The permittee installed "C" Canyon security gate must remain open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including holidays until permitted through UDNR/OGM process and revision of the public roads findings for the West Ridge Mine can be made.

Affirmative obligation(s) and abatement time (if applicable)

i) Cease closing the security gate, immediately.