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INSPECTION REPORT

Partial ___ Complete XXX Exploration ___
Inspection Date: 10/17/2002/ Time: 9:30 - 12:30
Date of Last Inspection: 09/12/2002

Mine Name: West Ridge Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: C/007/041
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: West Ridge Resources, Inc.
Business Address: P.O. Box 1077, Price, Utah 84501
Company Official(s): Gary Gray
State Official(s): Karl R. Houskeeper Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Clear, Temp 63°F
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface ___ Prep Plant ___ Other ___
Existing Acreage: Permitted 4307.63 Disturbed 29.06 Regraded ___ Seeded ___
Status: Active

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 5 columns: EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows include categories like PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; SIGNS AND MARKERS; TOPSOIL; HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; DIVERSIONS; SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS; etc.

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(COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE)

1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE

The current DOGM permit was re-issued to include the Whitmore Extension. The permit is effective 02/15/2002 and expires 04/01/2004. The reclamation agreement (Exhibit A) reflects the permit area information prior to the approval of the Whitmore Canyon Extension and should be updated to reflect the current permit area information. The appropriate forms will be forwarded to the operator to start the process. Other documents reviewed included the following:

- Certificate of Insurance issued 07/01/2002 and terminates 07/01/2003.
- Reclamation agreement is dated April 1999 and signed by both parties.
- UPDES permit UTG040013 effective 01/01/1999 and expires midnight 04/30/2003.
- Air Quality permit DAQE-055-99, issued January 14, 1999.
- SPCC Plan dated 12/28/2000.

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

The mine permit ID signs were observed at the pump house and the entrance to the mine site. The ID signs contained all the required information.

Other signs observed during the inspection met the coal rules.

4A. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: DIVERSIONS

Disturbed diversion DD-4 has one rock gabion energy dissipater that has side cut and is in need of repair. The energy dissipater is adjacent to the access portals of the mine.

4B. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS

The mine's engineering contractor has determined an elevation for the clean out level marker of cell B. The marker still needs to be installed and should be done as soon as possible. This item extends back to the midterm review. Rapid action by the operator will avoid any future compliance action by the Division.

4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

Second quarter 2002 water monitoring information is in the EDI website and is uploaded. Third quarter water information has been collected and lab sheets are available for review at the mine site. The third quarter 2002 water monitoring information still needs to be submitted into the EDI website pipeline and be approved prior to being uploaded.

4E. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

Reviewed August 2002 DMR's. Discharges 001 and 002 did not discharge or have any exceedences.

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5. **EXPLOSIVES**

Inspected the explosive magazines in the upper reach of the storage yard. There are two magazines, one on either side of the yard. Signs are available to identify the storage of explosives.

8. **NONCOAL WASTE**

While inspecting the topsoil pile, it was noticed that the area is traced with several items of noncoal waste that was blown into this area from recent windstorms. The operator was made aware of the items and will pick them up and place them back in the authorized storage area.

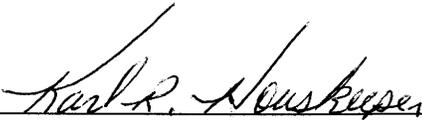
20. **AIR QUALITY PERMIT**

The air quality permit DAQE-055-99 referenced above remains in effect.

21. **BONDING AND INSURANCE**

The insurance referenced in item #1 above is through Pacific Indemnity Co., policy #3710-95-30-DAL. The insurance has explosion coverage, met the minimum requirements, listed the Division as the certificate holder, and has the proper language on the notification policy.

Bond No. 91-B-54926, issued 03/19/1999 is for \$2,117,000 from National Union Fire Insurance Company.

Inspector's Signature:  Date: October 18, 2002
Karl R. Houskeeper #49

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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