

March 5, 2003

TO: Internal File
THRU: Daron R. Haddock, Permit Supervisor
FROM: Gregg A. Galecki, Sr. Reclamation Specialist
RE: 2002 Third Quarter Water Monitoring, West Ridge Resource Inc., West Ridge Mine, C/007/041-WQ02-3

1. Were data submitted for all of the MRP required sites? YES [x] NO []
Identify sites not monitored and reason why, if known:

2. On what date does the MRP require a five-year resampling of baseline water data.
See Technical Directive 004 for baseline resampling requirements. Consider the five-year baseline resubmittal when responding to question one above. Indicate if the MRP does not have such a requirement.

Resampling Due Date

Commitment to samples every fifth year, beginning with the first mid-term review (p. 7-20): first mid-term due 10/01/01. The next baseline sampling will be conducted by 10/01/06.

3. Were all required parameters reported for each site? YES [X] NO []
Comments, including identity of monitoring site:

Of a total 18 monitoring sites, nine (9) sites showed no flow. All sites were accessible. Of the total eight (8) springs being monitored, two (2) were dry and three (3) had only enough flow to collect field parameters only. This is likely an indication that the persistent dry conditions observed over the last few years have brought these springs to 'baseline conditions'.

- 4. Were irregularities found in the data?** YES [x] NO []
Comments, including identity of monitoring site:

The depth to water at Well DH-86-2, which increased approximately 14.5-ft from 1998 through March 2001, has now dropped approximately 43-ft. since March 2001. Water levels dropped an additional 5-feet from the 2nd to 3rd quarter. Construction work conducted around the well lowered the surface casing approximately 5-ft from the 1st to 2nd quarter 2001, accounted for some of the variance noted earlier. The Operator has been questioned, and indicated no significant inflow of water into the mine has been encountered. With the exception of drop in water level, the other water quality parameters remain stable and unchanged.

No other irregularities were found in the data.

- 5. Were DMR forms submitted for all required sites?**

1st month, YES [x] NO []
2nd month, YES [x] NO []
3rd month, YES [x] NO []

Identify sites and months not monitored:

Both D001 and D002 showed no discharge. Data was submitted electronically to the Division database.

- 6. Were all required DMR parameters reported?** YES [] NO []
Comments, including identity of monitoring site:

Sites were dry so no parameters were reported, with the exception of 'No Discharge'.

- 7. Were irregularities found in the DMR data?** YES [] NO [x]
Comments, including identity of monitoring site:

- 8. Based on your review, what further actions, if any, do you recommend?**

No further action is necessary for the 02-3 (3rd) Quarter 2002.