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To: Bret Dixon, Utah Dam Safety
Dave Shaver, West Ridge Resources

From: Brad Price

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Re: Monitoring Schedule, Grassy Trail Dam & Reservoir

An overview of data obtained to date from instrumentation at Grassy Trail Reservoir was presented at a meeting held November 8, 2006. At this time, the mining operation has moved to another location away from the dam, allowing a reduction in the monitoring frequency for some instrumentation. It was determined at the November 8 meeting that a new monitoring schedule should be established, and that another meeting would be held in approximately six months to re-evaluate the monitoring program. Our recommendations for monitoring during this six-month time period are summarized below.

Accelerometers

Based on the present rate of activity being recorded by the accelerometers, the memory of these devices does not need to be cleared more frequently than once per month. Under the present conditions, it is our opinion that monthly monitoring of the accelerometers will provide data on a sufficiently frequent basis during the next six months.

Inclinometers

It is our opinion that inclinometers should be monitored once a month during the next six months. These devices can be monitored during the same monthly site visit required to obtain accelerometer data.

Piezometers and Drains

We recommend that water elevations in piezometers and seepage flow from drains be recorded on a weekly basis during the next six months. The dam should also be visually inspected during this weekly visit. Care should be taken to note any new cracking, slumping, seepage, or other irregularities on the dam and surrounding slopes – particularly in the vicinity of the right (west) abutment. As agreed upon at the meeting, an additional piezometer will be installed near the right (west) abutment.

Survey Points

At the meeting, Dave Shaver indicated that West Ridge Resources will provide a monthly survey of subsidence monitoring points located on the dam. The basis for the survey will be a point located on the left (east) abutment, which is assumed to be stationary based on monitoring performed to date. The survey accuracy should be ± 0.01 foot vertical and ± 0.02 foot horizontal.

Monitoring of Events Reported by University of Utah Seismic Station (UUSS)

It was agreed at the November 8 meeting that daily reviews of the UUSS web site should continue through the next six months. The threshold criteria used to trigger an immediate site visit will remain in effect. If an event of magnitude greater than 3.0 is reported within 5 miles of the dam, thorough site reconnaissance and reading of accelerometer data will be performed within 24 hours. Reading of all other instrumentation will be performed if any recorded ground acceleration exceeds 0.2g.

Under the anticipated conditions, the proposed schedule of monitoring frequencies and responsibilities is summarized on the table below. The recommended frequency may be changed at any time if instrumentation readings, visual observations, or any other factor indicates that this program is insufficient.

ITEM(S) TO BE MONITORED	MONITORING FREQUENCY	MONITORING RESPONSIBILITY	FREQUENCY OF DATA DISTRIBUTION*
Accelerometers, Inclinometers, & Reconnaissance by Geologist/Engineer	Monthly	RB&G Engineering	Monthly
Piezometers, Drains, and Visual Inspections	Weekly	East Carbon City (forward data to RB&G weekly)	Monthly
Survey Points	Monthly	West Ridge Resources	Monthly
UUSS Website	Daily	RB&G Engineering	Monthly

*Data to be distributed monthly to persons on the list below. Any unusual readings or observations should be reported to the group immediately.

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