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Subject: 2007 Annual Report Review, West Ridge Mine, C/007/0041, Task ID # 3053
Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Shaver:

The Division staff has completed the 2007 Annual Report Review. Enclosed is a copy of the review for West Ridge Mine, C/007/0041 completed on December 22, 2008.

Thank you for your diligence in completing the Annual Report. If you have any questions, please call me at (801) 538-5325.

Sincerely,

Daron Haddock
Permit Supervisor

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2007 Annual Report Review

Permittee: West Ridge Resources
Mine Name: West Ridge Mine
Permit Number: C/007/041
Date Report Received: July 2, 2008

Assigned Reviewer: Peter Hess, En Sci III | **Date Completed** 7/18/2008
Ingrid Wieser, Biology | 12/22/2008

Instructions: The assigned inspector will review the Annual report during the third quarter complete inspection and provide a written determination (finding) on how the mine has or has not met the permit requirements for reporting. If the report is deficient or remedial action is required to obtain compliance, this should be noted and the mine lead notified. A copy of this review will be filed with the Inspection Report. Should any of the sections require additional technical analysis, the inspector will notify the permit supervisor so that it can be scheduled during the 4th quarter.

SECTIONS TO REVIEW	SUBMITTED			FINDINGS
	YES	NO	NA	
Cover Sheet	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Introductory letter by Dave Shaver, Resident Agent
General Information	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The General Information identifying the Permittee appears to be complete and adequate.
Identification of other Permits	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Identification numbers for the UPDES, the DAQ Air Quality approval, and the MSHA identification number are submitted.
Annual Impoundment Certification	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Appendix "A"; the third quarter of 2007 impoundment inspection for the twin cell pond was P.E. certified by Mr. David Hibbs on July 31, 2008. All slopes were reported as stable; there were no hazards reported. This pond is normally inspected once a month by DOGM personnel, in conjunction with the Permittee's representative.
Annual Overburden, Spoil, Refuse, Floor, etc. Certified Report	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	There is no refuse disposal facility at the West Ridge Mine.
Annual Technical Requirements (Commitments)		X		None of the listed commitments and conditions of the permit have been addressed.
Climatological	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Precipitation data collected from the Sunnyside City weather station for the 2007 monitoring year has been submitted.
Subsidence	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The Permittee submitted 37 pages of subsidence monitoring data for 2007. The data monitoring points are located via a Northing/Easting method. The Permittee did not submit an analysis of the data; there is no map of the mine working submitted which contains a surface deformation overlay. The submitted information is useless.
Vegetation monitoring	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	The Permittee was required to monitor the vegetation on the "Experimental Test Plots". The permittee included a letter stating that the company overlooked this obligation and would monitor in 2008. Reports should be included in the 2008 annual report.
Raptor Survey	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The 2007 raptor field survey was conducted for the West Ridge Mine on May 23, 2007. 40 nests were monitored; seven were determined to be tended or active, but no active nests were within a half-mile of the project site. The submitted information is confidential and was removed from the Price Field Office copy of the 2007 Annual Report and destroyed. This information was removed from the Salt Lake City copy of the 2007 Annual Report and filed in the Confidential area in the Public Information Center.
Soils Monitoring	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Water Monitoring	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	Required surface and ground water monitoring data for the West Ridge Mine permit area has been inserted and uploaded into the permanent data base; all required monitoring is current.

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Geological/Geophysical	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Non-Coal Waste	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	All non-coal waste is transported off-site and deposited in a State certified land fill.
Abandoned Underground Equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	The Division is not aware of any mining machinery being abandoned underground during 2007.
AVS; Legal/ Financial Update	<input type="checkbox"/>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	This information was recently updated with the 2007 West Ridge Mine mid-term permit review, Task ID # 2960 was approved on July 7, 2008, and is incorporated into the MRP. This information is also on file at the Utah Department of Commerce.
Mine Sequence Map	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plate #1 of 1, 2007 Production , dated June 26, 2008 depicts the areas at the West Ridge Mine where development and longwall extraction methods were utilized during 2007. The plate is not P.E. certified.
Other Information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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