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State of Utah
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial:___ Complete: X Exploration:___
Inspection Date & Time: 9/9/96 10 to 2
Date of Last Inspection: 7/9/96

Mine Name: JB King County: Emery Permit Number: ACT/015/002
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Western States Minerals Corp.
Business Address: Suite 130, 250 South Rock Blvd., Reno, Nevada 89502
Type of Mining Activity: Underground X Surface__ Prep. Plant__ Other__
State Officials(s): Susan White
Company Official(s):
Federal Official(s):
Weather Conditions: Sunny then cloudy, warm
Existing Acreage: Permitted-440 Disturbed-28 Regraded-__ Seeded-28 Bonded-30
Increased/Decreased: Permitted-__ Disturbed-__ Regraded-__ Seeded-__ Bonded-__
Status: __Exploration/ __Active/ __Inactive/ __Temporary Cessation/ __Bond Forfeiture
Reclamation (__Phase I/ __Phase II/ __Final Bond Release/ __Liability __Year)
REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

Instructions

- 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: Item, EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows include: 1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; 2. SIGNS AND MARKERS; 3. TOPSOIL; 4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; 5. EXPLOSIVES; 6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES; 7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS; 8. NONCOAL WASTE; 9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES; 10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE; 11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION; 12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING; 13. REVEGETATION; 14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL; 15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS; 16. ROADS; 17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES; 18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS; 19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June)(date); 20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT; 21. BONDING & INSURANCE.



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(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER,

The reclamation only permit was renewed August 13, 1995 and will expire August 13, 2000. The bond amount specified in the permit is \$126,078.

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

Signs and markers were in place. The permit entry sign was visible upon entry to the site.

4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE

a. Diversions - Evidence of recent heavy flows were observed in all channels. Major cutting and filling was observed in the reconstructed channel. All flows were contained within the channels. The areas of erosion which are being monitored by the operator all show evidence of activity.

b. Sediment Ponds and Impoundments - The sediment pond was full. Evidence of water running in the outlet from the undisturbed channel was observed. Polywogs were observed in the pond.

. Jim Blackburn, operators representative, inspected the pond second quarter, 1996 and certified no obvious problems with the pond.

13. REVEGETATION

The vegetation showed some response to the recent rain. Some greening and germination was observed. Cheatgrass was lush along some gully areas.

Surface roughening created for enhanced water retention "melted". The roughening on the refuse pile was not as flattened due to the rock. Numerous pocks on the refuse pile failed, rills were observed the entire length of the outslope. The rock veneer was more evident with the washing of fines.

14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL

The area of previous subsidence was walked. Some minor evidence of cracks were apparent. No action is required of the operator.

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21. BONDING & INSURANCE

Liability insurance is carried by Sphere Drake Insurance and expires 4/1/97.

The bond in the amount of \$126,078 is held by Seaboard Surety Company.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: OSM, E.M. Gerick (WSMC)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM)

Inspector's Signature:

Susan M. White #35 Date: 9/12/96