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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: 3/18/97 3 to 4
Date of Last Inspection: 2/13/97

Mine Name: J.B. 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 and Robert Davidson
Company Official(s): None
Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Cool and fair
Existing Acreage: Permitted-480 Disturbed-30 Regraded-___ Seeded-30 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 4 columns: EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENE. Rows include categories like PERMITS, SIGNS AND MARKERS, TOPSOIL, HYDROLOGIC BALANCE, EXPLOSIVES, DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL, COAL MINE WASTE, PROTECTION OF FISH, SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE, CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION, BACKFILLING AND GRADING, REVEGETATION, SUBSIDENCE CONTROL, CESSATION OF OPERATIONS, ROADS, and 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

The permit sign near the sediment pond is starting to fade. The operator stated that the sign would be repainted this Spring.

4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:

The sediment pond still contained water from last falls rain event. The fourth quarter pond inspection was done by Jim Blackburn, the operators representative on October 4, 1996. The pond annual inspection was done by W.K. Sorensen, P.E. on November 29, 1996. He stated that:

“The northeast collector ditch has filled with sediment in the lower reaches next to the pond. This ditch should be cleaned out to provide adequate free board and prevent over flow and short circuiting down the bank of the incised pond. There are two areas where this has already occurred.”

He further states that this problem should not threaten the stability of the pond. No work has been done on the pond. All work needed on the pond must be completed prior to the rainy season, June 30.

13. REVEGETATION

Some greening was observed of the young seedlings. Soil moisture was near the surface of the soil. No recent signs of elk were observed. Cattle were not observed on the range surrounding the site.

21. BONDING AND INSURANCE

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

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The bond 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: *James M. White* #35 Date: 4/2/97