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U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY/STATE OF UTAH

PUBLIC NOTICE

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE IS TO STATE EPA'S INTENTION TO ISSUE WASTE-WATER DISCHARGE PERMITS UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT OF 1977, AND THE INTENTION OF THE STATE OF UTAH TO CERTIFY COMPLIANCE OF THE APPLICANTS WITH APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE AFORESAID ACT.

IT IS EPA'S INTENTION TO ISSUE PERMITS TO THREE (3) INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES AND TO RENEW (1) INDUSTRIAL FACILITY LOCATED IN THE STATE OF UTAH.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

(1) APPLICANT NAME:

SOLDIER CREEK COAL COMPANY
(HIDDEN VALLEY MINE)

MAILING ADDRESS:

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PRICE, UTAH 84501

TELEPHONE NUMBER:

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APPLICATION NUMBER:

UT-0023701

The Soldier Creek Coal Company, Hidden Valley Coal Mine, consists of an underground coal mining operation that will produce approximately 500,000 tons of coal per year. This discharge permit is being written for the point source discharge associated with three surface runoff control sedimentation structures required by the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act. The permit also contains provisions to allow the Company to comply with NPDES requirements should any unanticipated discharge be required as a result of sudden inflow of water into the mine, or if a relocation of sedimentation facilities becomes necessary. If any discharge were to occur, it would be to Ivie Creek (classified 3C and 4).

(2) APPLICANT NAME:

SOLDIER CREEK COAL COMPANY
(BANNING SIDING LOADOUT)

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PRICE, UTAH 84501

TELEPHONE NUMBER:

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APPLICATION NUMBER:

UT-0023817

The Soldier Creek Banning Siding Loadout is the coal loading facility for the Soldier Canyon Mine. The source of the discharge is subsurface water from the truck hopper foundation perimeter. The water is pumped to maintain the level below the floor elevation, and is assumed to be uncontaminated groundwater. The effluent limitations and monitoring requirements are being used to ensure that this water is not being contaminated by active operation of the facility. Any discharge would be to an unnamed wash, tributary to Grassy Trail Creek (classified 3C and 4).

(3) APPLICANT NAME: MORONI FEED COMPANY PROCESSING PLANT
 MAILING ADDRESS: BOX 308
 MORONI, UTAH 84646
 TELEPHONE NUMBER: 801+436-8211
 APPLICATION NUMBER: UT-0023795

The Moroni Feed Company, Processing Department, kills and processes approximately 2,000,000 turkeys per year during a 6 or 7 month operating period. All process water, contact and noncontact cooling and storm runoff (roof drains and parking lot), are discharged to the City of Moroni's wastewater treatment plant. Water supply is from two, company-owned, wells on the processing plant property. None of this water is chlorinated.

The proposed discharge is to the San Pitch River (classified 3C, 3D and 4), after commingling with the City of Moroni's discharge. The quality of the discharge must be measured and is regulated prior to the commingling.

(4) PERMITTEE NAME: J.F. SHEA COMPANY, INC.
 (VAT TUNNEL PROJECT)
 MAILING ADDRESS: P. O. BOX 343
 HEBER CITY, UTAH 84032
 TELEPHONE NUMBER: 801+654-2690
 NPDES PERMIT NUMBER: UT-0022888

The renewal permit is for discharges resulting from the construction of the United States Water and Power Resources Service's Vat Tunnel Project. The wastewaters associated with the project include water from the tunneling operation, water intercepted by the tunnel, and water from the washing of aggregate. The wastewater treatment facilities are located near the south portal of the tunnel.

The wastewater treatment facilities include two small ponds followed by a pressurized dual-media filter with a capacity of 1,000 gpd. The discharge from the filter plant is outfall 001. Wastewater flows in excess of the filter plant capacity are routed to a series of three overflow ponds. The discharge from those ponds is outfall 002.

The treated discharges will be to Currant Creek or Low Pass Creek and Right Fork Creek, tributaries of Currant Creek (all three classified 1C, 3A, and 4), depending on the location of the wastewater treatment facilities.

EPA/STATE TENTATIVE DETERMINATIONS

Tentative determinations have been made by the EPA staff in cooperation with the State of Utah relative to effluent limitations and other conditions to be imposed on the permit. These limitations and conditions will assure that State Water Quality Standards and applicable provisions of the Clean Water Act will be protected. The recommended expiration date is June 30, 1981, for UT-0023701 and June 30, 1985, for UT-0023817, UT-0023795, and UT-0022888.

The aforementioned receiving waters are classified in the Utah Water Quality Standards for the following beneficial uses:

- 1C - protected for domestic purposes with prior treatment by standard complete treatment processes;
- 3A - protected for cold water species of game fish and other cold water aquatic life;
- 3C - protected for nongame fish and other aquatic life;
- 3D - protected for waterfowl, shore birds and other water-oriented wildlife; and,
- 4 - protected for agricultural uses including irrigation of crops and stock watering.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited anytime prior to September 20, 1980. Comments may be directed to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, Enforcement Division, Water and Hazardous Waste Enforcement Branch, 1860 Lincoln Street, Denver, Colorado 80295. All comments received prior to September 20, 1980, will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permits.

If no objections are received within the specified thirty-day period, the Regional Administrator, EPA, will issue final determinations within sixty days of the date of this notice. A public hearing will be held if response to this notice indicates significant public interest.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling 303-837-4901, or by writing the aforementioned address.

The complete applications, issued permits, permittees' requests for renewal of the permits and related documents are available for review and reproduction at the aforementioned address.

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