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Inspection Memo
to Coal File:

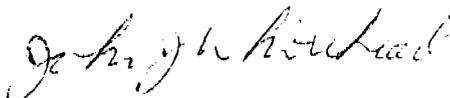
RE: Soldier Creek Coal Company
Hidden Valley Mine
INA/015/007
Folder No. 7
Carbon County, Utah

A partial inspection of the Hidden Valley minesite was conducted by John Whitehead on March 29, 1983. This inspector was unaccompanied by anyone from Soldier Creek Coal Company during the inspection. The purpose of the inspection was to follow up on areas of concern noted in previous memos.

The topsoil pile had been reseeded and was showing some evidence of seedling emergence.

The southern-most entry on the eastern side of the minesite had been fenced off entirely and a sign posted to bring this entry into complete compliance with UMC 817.14. Completion of this action addresses all concerns previously noted on safety and warnings for entries at this minesite.

One new concern which was noted during this inspection was the undisturbed diversion culvert outlet for the culvert which passes undisturbed drainage from the west side of the access road underneath the main pad area and discharges into the creek. The outlet end of this culvert was almost entirely obstructed and will need to be cleaned out to insure that it can pass design volumes during precipitation events.



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Statistics:

See Soldier Canyon Mine memo, dated April 5, 1983.