



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

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: 11/9/99 / 9:30a.m.-2:30p.m.
Date of Last Inspection: 10/21/99

Mine Name: Hidden Valley Mine County: Emery Permit Number: ACT/015/007
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Consolidation Coal Company
Business Address: P.O. Box 566, Sesser, Illinois 62884
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other
Company Official(s): Steve Behling
State Officials(s): Bill Malencik Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Partly Cloudy, 50's
Existing Acreage: Permitted- 950 Disturbed- 7 Regraded- Seeded- Bonded- 7
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Status: Exploration/ XXX Active/ Inactive/ Temporary Cessation/ Bond Forfeiture
Reclamation (Phase I/ Phase II/ Final Bond Release/ Liability 1986 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: EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows list 21 inspection items with checkboxes for evaluation status.

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GENERAL COMMENTS

A complete inspection of the Hidden Valley reclaimed mine site was conducted by the undersigned. Mr. Behling participated in this inspection on behalf of the mine.

No violations were issued. The environmental control measures appear to meet the coal rule performance standards.

4A. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: DIVERSIONS

The diversions were stable and showed no evidence of recent runoff. The diversion above the "A" seam maintained this past summer, meets performance standards. Some fine material from the escarpment is being deposited in the diversion, but doesn't constitute a concern at this point in time.

4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

The MRP requires water monitoring at high and low flow. The sampling on Ivie Creek above and below the mine are to be taken in May and September. The last sampling was taken September 21, 1998. The May sample has been taken. However, the lab results have been submitted to the Division on 10/26/99.

8. NONCOAL WASTE

The noncoal waste on the surface is not a problem. The exception is at the end of the county road. However, no noncoal waste, pop cans, etc. were observed during the instant inspection.

12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING

As previously documented in prior inspection reports, the "B" seam was regraded in 1997. A commitment has been made by the company to regrade and seed the balance of the disturbed area other than the "B" seam.

13. REVEGETATION

Seedlings we observed from last years rehabilitation efforts. The seedlings are most numerous in the regraded depression areas. The most significant change in the vegetation is the annual plants have completed their life cycle. The perennials are all still green. As a result, the perennials are more predominate and appear to occupy the lower areas very well.

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21. BONDING AND INSURANCE

Insurance expires 11/5/99. The surety bond is on records for \$90,758.00 and no bond release has been approved by the Division.

Insurance has been renewed. page 11/29/99.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Tim Kirschbaum (Consol)

Henry Austin (OSM)

Given to: Pam Grubaugh-Littig (DOGM)

Filed to: Price Field Office

Date: November 24, 1999

Inspector's Signature: _____

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