

January 29, 1982

INSPECTION MEMO TO COAL FILE:

RE: Trail Mountain Mine
 Natomas, Trail Mountain
 Coal Company
 ACT/015/009
 Emery County, Utah

The Trail Mountain Mine was visited by Joe Helfrich and Jean Doutre, Reclamation Officers of the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining to determine if violations issued during the previous inspection of December 10, 1981, which had been subsequently extended from January 9, 1982, to January 25, 1982, because, of heavy snowfall, had been adequately abated.

Mr. King and Mr. Childs who coordinate environmental problems, had gone home at approximately 3 p.m., just before our arrival. The mine engineer on site was Mr. Leland C. Olsen. Mr. Olsen accompanied Mr. Helfrich to the area where the original violation occurred. Mr. Helfrich explained the abatement measures required and asked him if he felt that any measure had been taken to correct the violation.

The only abatement measure he was aware of was, the removal of mine timber from Cottonwood Creek, which had since occurred again.

Mr. Helfrich informed him at that time to remove the sediment consisting of coal fines, oil and grease, from Cottonwood Creek, along with the mine timbers and raw coal, and to remove the continuous miner from the stream bank.

At that point in time Mr. Helfrich, issued a failure to abate notice pursuant to NOV #81-1-9-2 issued December 10, 1981.

Mr. Olsen phoned the Crest Motel on January 26, 1982, at 12:30 noon, indicating that the remedial action had been completed.

Jean Doutre and Paul Sjoblom of the Division took photographs of the Berm area from the upper storage area, the topsoil stockpile, which had a topsoil marker placed on it, along the Berm area down to the loadout area, and observed a roadside Berm had been placed between the road and Cottonwood Creek, to stop sedimentation inflow to the stream.


 JEAN L. DOUTRE
 RECLAMATION OFFICER

cc: Tom Ehmett, OSM
 Andy King, Natomas, Trail Mountain
 Inspection Staff

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Statistics:

3 persons x 2 days 3 hrs. = 218.82
 Vehicle 68804 297 miles

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