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INSPECTION REPORT

INSPECTION DATE & TIME: July 16, 1992
7:30 a.m. to 11:45 p.m.

Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Mountain Coal Company
Business Address: P. O. Box 1378, Price, UT 84501; (801) 637-5050
Mine Name: Trail Mountain #9 Permit Number: ACT/015/009
Type of Mining Activity: Underground X Surface Other
County: Emery County Company Official(s): Dan Guy
State Officials(s): Ken Wyatt, Tom Munson
Federal Official(s): None
Partial: X Complete Date of last Inspection: 6/23/91
Weather Conditions: Clear, warm
Acreage: Permitted 1450 Disturbed 9.45 Regraded Seeded
Bonded 9.45 Enforcement Action: AVS check - OKAY

COMPLIANCE WITH PERMITS AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

	YES	NO	N/A	COMMENTS
1. PERMITS	(X)	()	()	(X)
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	(X)	()	()	()
3. TOPSOIL	(X)	()	()	()
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. STREAM CHANNEL DIVERSIONS	(X)	()	()	(X)
b. DIVERSIONS	(X)	()	()	()
c. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	(X)	()	()	(X)
d. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	()	()	()	()
e. SURFACE AND GROUNDWATER MONITORING	(X)	()	()	(X)
f. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	()	()	()	()
5. EXPLOSIVES	()	()	()	()
6. DISPOSAL OF DEVELOPMENT WASTE & SPOIL	()	()	()	()
7. COAL PROCESSING WASTE	()	()	()	()
8. NONCOAL WASTE	(X)	()	()	(X)
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	()	()	()	()
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	()	()	()	()
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	()	()	()	()
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	()	()	()	()
13. REVEGETATION	()	()	()	()
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	()	()	()	()
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	()	()	()	()
16. ROADS				
a. CONSTRUCTION	()	()	()	()
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	()	()	()	()
c. SURFACING	()	()	()	()
d. MAINTENANCE	()	()	()	()
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	()	()	()	()
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES				
UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	()	()	()	()

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1. PERMITS

This inspection included an AVS check. The mine permit lists the mine operator as:

Mountain Coal Company
P.O. Box 1378
Price, Utah 84501

(801) 637-5050	Switchboard line (cancelled)
(801) 637-7742	Direct to Mr. Guys office
(801) 637-5203	Mine number

The mine operator identified on the identification sign at the mine entrance is:

Mountain Coal Company
Trail Mountain Mine
P.O. Box 1378
Price, Utah 84501

(801) 748-2140

4a. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: STREAM CHANNEL DIVERSIONS

The Cottonwood Creek diversion inlet was clear and unobstructed. The creek was flowing about 5 gallons per minute above the mine.

The side canyon adjacent to the topsoil storage area had flowed. Pine needle and small debris was present about four inches deep against the trash rack inlet. No flow was occurring during this inspection. The operator committed to cleaning this debris out.

4c. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS

The lower end of the sediment pond inlet had eroded due to the recent storms in the area. The operator was planning to work on this inlet and stabilize the erosion with additional riprap or by grouting rock in place.

The pond was holding water at this time. The surface was fairly well covered with oil and grease. The water level was about four feet below the discharge level. Vegetation on the sediment pond embankment was observed. The prominent species is Kochia. Some grasses were observed germinating in the low depressions that collect water.

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4e. **HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS**

The mine was discharging water into Cottonwood Creek during this inspection. A sample of the effluent was collected at 11:15 a.m. and split with the operator. The appearance looked good. This sample is currently being analyzed for Total Suspended Solids, Total Dissolved Solids and for Oil & Grease. The results should be forthcoming from the laboratory.

8. **NONCOAL WASTE**

Non-coal waste was being disposed of properly. Several dumpsters were placed in the mine area for waste. These dumpsters were recently emptied.

Copies of this Report:

Mailed to: Bernie Freeman (OSM); Dan Guy (MCC)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM)

Inspector's Signature: Ken Wyatt #7 Date: 7/17/92