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August 4, 1981

Inspection Memo
to Coal File:

RE: Utah Power & Light Co.
Deer Creek Mine
ACT/015/018A
Emery County, Utah

The Deer Creek Mine was inspected on July 31, 1981, by Rex Fidler and Sandy Pruitt of the Division. Dick Jones of UP&L accompanied the inspectors on the tour.

The purpose of the inspection was to introduce Rex Fidler to the mine operation and to discuss plans for slope stabilization near the ROM conveyor. Stabilization is necessary along side the conveyor but work cannot be conducted until the conveyor can be removed during an inactive time, such as vacation next June. It was requested that plans be compiled for stabilization below this conveyor in an effort toward contemporaneous reclamation of areas no longer used for reclamation. Slope instability along the old road developed by Peabody Coal has been a continual maintenance problem to keep the adjacent undisturbed drainage channel clear of obstruction. Reclamation, other than grading of spoil piles here, is unfeasible due to the continual disturbance with this type maintenance.

The lower storage area has been cleared of all material and berms have been constructed around the two undisturbed drainage inlets since the last inspection.

No violations were warranted.


SANDY PRUITT
RECLAMATION OFFICER

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Statistics:

See Bear Creek Canyon memo dated August 1981.