

April 6, 1981

Memo to Coal File:

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

On March 26, 1981, Joe Helfrich, reclamation soils specialist and Tom Portle, reclamation officer, visited Larry Guymon at the Emery Mining Company Huntington office for the purpose of discussing the status of environmental work at the Deer Creek Mine.

There has been evidence of a leak in the pond at the Deer Creek Mine. Upon investigation, Utah Power & Light learned that the drain which is supposed to remain closed when the pond is full was improperly engineered and work has been initiated to resolve this problem.

Utah Power & Light has taken it upon themselves to clean the 2 1/2 mile stretch under the conveyor belt with a shovel to remove coal fines from this area.

No violations were issued.

THOMAS L. PORTLE *TLP*
RECLAMATION OFFICER

cc: Tom Ehmett, OSM

TLP/btm

Statistics:

See Castle Valley Spur memo dated March 31, 1981.