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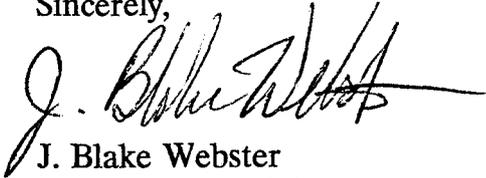
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Ms. Pamela Grubaugh-Littig
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Dear Ms. Grubaugh-Littig:

I am enclosing for submittal the 1st Quarter 1992 Engineering Inspection Reports for Deer Creek, Cottonwood/Wilberg and Des Bee Dove Waste Rock Sites. Please find also, the 1st Quarter 1992 Report of the Deer Creek Elk Canyon Storage Pad submittal.

Sincerely,



J. Blake Webster
Permitting Administrator

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Enclosure

cc: Bart Hyita
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**DEER CREEK
ACT/015/018
ORIGINAL WASTE ROCK DISPOSAL SITE
4TH QUARTER 1991**

INTRODUCTION

The original site is located on the northwest end of the material storage yard and now serves as an area for material storage. Its storage capacity is approximately 90,000 cubic yards.

OPERATION

This site is at its capacity. No new waste rock material was added.

INSPECTION

During the inspection of the site on December 20, 1991, no evidence of fractures, slumps or instability were observed. The top berm was intact and functional. No rills or gullies. Good vegetation starts on the south slope. Excellent vegetation established on the east slope. Slopes were lightly snowcovered.

**DEER CREEK
ACT/015/018
WASTE ROCK DISPOSAL SITE
4TH QUARTER 1991**

INTRODUCTION

This area for waste rock storage is located approximately 2.5 miles from the mine site in Huntington Canyon, more specifically in Sections 5 and 6, T17S, R8E, SLM. When complete the site will contain approximately 1.3 million cubic yards of waste rock.

OPERATION

During the quarter 9,762 cubic yards of waste rock material were dumped in this facility. Accumulated refuse piles were being leveled with trash and extraneous material sorted according to the permitted plan.

INSPECTION

Inspection of the facility for structural stability was performed December 20, 1991. Inspection of the operation of the facility was done on a continual basis.

The underdrain was discharging at the time of the inspection less than 1 gpm.

The perimeter berm appears to be stable. Minor erosion down the slopes in a few locations, which was observed during the 3rd Quarter, are healing. Repairs to the silt fence along the access road and around the berm have been completed.

The detention basin and spillway were also inspected for any signs of weakness or instability. The basin was about 25% full of water at the time of inspection. No signs of instability or weakness were observed in or around the basin or spillway.

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that the waste rock sites for the Deer Creek Mine are constructed and maintained as designed and in accordance with the approved plan and Utah Coal Mining Rules. I do also certify that there is no evidence of instability, structural weakness, or other hazardous conditions within the sites.



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**DEER CREEK
ACT/015/018
ELK CANYON STORAGE PAD
4TH QUARTER 1991**

INTRODUCTION

The Elk Canyon Storage Pad was modified in 1988 to provide additional storage space for run of mine coal. The fill structure was constructed of underground development waste and coal processing waste. An estimated 24,000 cubic yards of material were used to construct the fill pad.

OPERATION

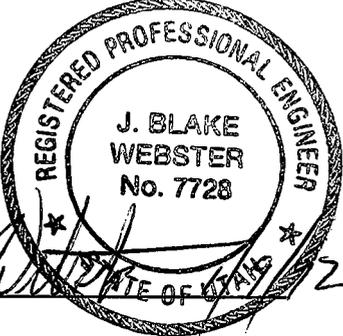
No additional material was added to the storage pad during the quarter. ROM coal was occasionally stored on the pad for short periods of time. Approximately 3000 tons of ROM coal was stored on pad during the time of inspection.

INSPECTION

During an inspection of the site on December 20, 1991, no tension fractures or other evidence of failure were observed. No evidence of structural weakness or other hazardous conditions were noticed.

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that the Elk Canyon Storage Pad is constructed and maintained as designed and in accordance with the approved plan. I also certify that the facility shows no signs of instability, structural weakness or other hazardous conditions.


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