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INSPECTION REPORT

Partial:___ Complete: X Exploration:___
Inspection Date & Time: 8/29/96 8:30 to 3:00
Date of Last Inspection: 7/3/96

Mine Name: Deer Creek County: Emery Permit Number: ACT/015/018

Permittee and/or Operator's Name: PacifiCorp

Business Address: P.O. Box 1005, Huntington, Utah 84528

Type of Mining Activity: Underground X Surface___ Prep. Plant___ Other___

State Officials(s): Susan White, Steve Johnson

Company Official(s): Richard Northrup and Mike Dennis

Federal Official(s): None

Weather Conditions: Fair and hot

Existing Acreage: Permitted-14,740 Disturbed-93 Regraded-___ Seeded-___ Bonded-93

Increased/Decreased: Permitted-___ Disturbed-___ Regraded-___ Seeded-___ Bonded-___

Status: ___Exploration/ X Active/___Inactive/___Temporary Cessation/___Bond Forfeiture

Reclamation (___Phase I/___Phase II/___Final Bond Release/___Liability___Year)

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

Table with columns: NOV/ENF, EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS. Lists 21 items for review, including permits, signs, topsoil, hydrologic balance, explosives, waste disposal, etc.



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(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

1. PERMITS

The permit was renewed and the effective dates are 2/6/96 through 2/6/01. Four conditions were attached to the permit renewal. The bond amount is stated to be \$2,000,000. A Division Order has been issued to the permittee to increase the reclamation bond coverage for the Mine to \$2,288,903.

UPDES Permit UT0023604 is effective December 1992 and expires November 30, 1997.

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

The permit signs were visible upon entrance into the Mine area and Rilda Canyon.

3. TOPSOIL

The topsoil stockpile at the Waste Rock Storage site must have some type of protective measure in place along the north east end.

4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:

a. Diversions - No recent runoff was observed. The diversions at Rilda Canyon were completed with rip-rap in place. The outlet to the culvert near the entry gate in Rilda Canyon should have the sediment basin removed.

b. Sediment Ponds and Impoundments- Records for the second quarter of 1996 were reviewed. Quarterly pond inspections were completed 6/14/96 by John Christensen, Richard Northrup and Richard Jensen for the Mine Site Pond and the Waste Rock Detention Pond, no problems were noted. The annual pond inspection was completed by John Christensen, a professional engineer on 1/5/96.

c. Other sediment control measures - The silt fence which surrounds the Rilda Canyon Facilities site was discussed. Since the fence was intended as only a safe-guard during construction and is not specified as a permanent control measure it should be removed. The only possible exception would be in those areas which do not have vegetation establish and no erosion control matting installed.

A discussion was held concerning the silt fence surrounding the Waste Rock site. The purpose of that silt fence is to prevent additional contributions of suspended solids and also to protect the topsoil stock pile. In areas where the silt fence is protecting the stockpiled topsoil

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no loss of topsoil can be allowed. Other areas, with no topsoil, have to meet the background level of sediment production.

d. Water Monitoring- Water monitoring records were reviewed for the second quarter of 1996. All requisite information for the quarterly parameters had been collected, analyzed, and reported. All requisite information appeared to be present.

e. Effluent Limitations- The UPDES discharge reports were reviewed for the second quarter of 1996 and were determined to be in order.

7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS

Routine quarterly inspections were conducted of the three waste rock sites at the Deer Creek Mine on June 28, 1996 by John Christensen. No instability problems were noted.

13. REVEGETATION

A small amount of seeding needs to be completed at the Rilda Canyon site. Anytime this fall, but prior to November 1 is suitable for seeding.

21. BONDING AND INSURANCE

The Certificate of Liability Insurance was renewed February 24, 1996. The expiration date is in one year, 2/24/97. The insurance company is Associated Electric & Gas Insurance Services Limited and the policy number is XO296A1A95.

St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company holds the 2 million dollar reclamation bond, Bond No. 400 JN 6140.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: OSM, Richard Northrup (PacifiCorp)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM)

Inspector's Signature: *Susan M. White*

#35 Date: 9/4/96