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February 10, 1983

Inspection Memo
to Coal File:

#7

RE: Co-op Mining Company
Bear Canyon Mine
ACT/015/025
Emery County, Utah

On February 7, 1983 John Whitehead and Joe Helfrich performed a partial inspection at the Bear Canyon minesite accompanied by Wendell Owen and Dennis White. The purpose of the inspection was to terminate cessation order C83-5-1-4.

The mine equipment which was the subject of parts 1, 2, and 4 of the cessation order had been removed from the unpermitted site to an area within the permit boundaries. Equipment was stored on a section of the road, due east of the scales. Temporary drainage controls were in place. Mr Owen advised the inspectors that this was only a temporary storage place until the scrap contractor who had purchased the equipment could come and get it. Mr. Owen was reminded and agreed to the fact that storage would only be for a 6 week period as the area where the equipment is stored is not designated as a non-coal waste storage area. Further the drainage controls are not permanent enough to provide drainage controls deemed adequate for permanent storage.

Work to abate #3 of 4 of C83-5-1-4 was not adequate, No work had been done on the bathhouse pad in terms of drainage controls being installed to prevent erosion. The operator had undertaken temporary measures to address drainage controls on the south end of the coal stockpile pad and on the east side of the coal crushing and sizing pad. Additionally, a small berm had been put in place shortly before the inspectors came on-site to control the mine water effluent which was leaving the road area adjacent to the fan. The operator was advised that the measures which had been undertaken were a good faith effort given the weather conditions. However they were deemed temporary in nature and needed to be addressed in a more final manner when weather conditions permit.

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The inspectors returned to the minesite on February 8, 1983 and the work on the bathhouse pad had been performed with a temporary berm arrangement and straw bales in place, thus part 3 of C83-5-1-4 was terminated.



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cc: Tom Ehmett, OSM
Joe Helfrich, DOGM
Dave Darby, DOGM
Rick Summers, DOGM
Ev Hooper, DOGM
Wendell Crum, CC-OR

Statistics:

Vehicle: EX #5424 - 435 miles
Per Diem: 2 persons x 1 day, 7 1/2 hrs. = 101.56
Grant: A & E