

July 25, 1984

TO: Inspection Memo to Coal File

FROM: Ken Wyatt, Mining Field Specialist *LD* *for*

RE: Co-Op Mining Company, Bear Creek Canyon Mine, ACT/015/025,
folder #7, Emery County, Utah

On July 9, 1984, a partial inspection of the Bear Creek Canyon Mine facilities was conducted by Ken Wyatt, Field Specialist for the Division. Mr. Melvin Coonrod, representing Co-op Mining Company accompanied this inspector in the field. Mr. Rick Smith, Geologist for the Division was also present during this inspection.

The spring observed on the southwest corner of the coal stockpile pad during the previous inspection was discussed. Mr. Coonrod indicated that this water was a leak in a water line. He further informed this inspector that this water line carries water from the mine, downslope for use in the bathhouse and haul road dust suppression. The area of the pipe leak has been excavated and was exposed. Water was still leaking from this pipe.

The foundation for the installation of the scalehouse building was being erected at this time. This facility was approved by the Division in a letter dated October 12, 1983. The leachfield has been installed in the scale pad and the eastern side of the pad has been backfilled to promote positive drainage in an area that has previously been a depression. The disturbed area drainage system in this area was adequate at this time.

The bypass culvert installed in Bear Creek behind the scale building was discussed. At this time this area has not been backfilled. The use of gunite or concrete to seal these pipe sections was discussed with the operator. It is recommended that Co-op utilize some type of sealant on this pipe prior to backfilling to protect the fill material against possible piping.

The mine access/haul road was being watered during this inspection to control dust production. No compliance problems were encountered.

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cc: Jodie Merriman OSM
Wendell Owen, Co-op Mining Company
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Statistics:

Per Diem: 1 person x 1 day, 9 hours = \$34.00
Vehicle: EX 45428 504 Miles
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