

ITEM 3-9

WASTE REMOVAL PLAN



STATE OF UTAH  
NATURAL RESOURCES  
Oil, Gas & Mining

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October 24, 1985

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED  
(P402 457 249)

Mr. Charles Gent  
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Dear Mr. Gent:

Re: Approval of Abatement Plans for Notice of Violation  
N85-4-12-3, #3 of 3, Noncoal Waste Disposal Plan, Crandall  
Canyon Mine, ACT/015/032, #3, 7, Emery County, Utah

The Division has completed its review of Genwal's latest (letter dated September 30, 1985) revised abatement plans for the violation noted above. The operator has adequately addressed the conditions as outlined in the Division's September 23, 1985 letter. The following is provided for clarification and resolution to this abatement action:

4. This condition specifically excludes sediment pond materials from offsite disposal to landfills.
6. This condition requires the operator to specify plans for temporary storage and permanent onsite disposal for sediments excavated from the sedimentation pond.

The operator has presented plans for the dewatering and temporary storage of the excavated sediments onsite. The plan for transport and ultimate disposal offsite at the Sinbad landfill is proposed for permanent disposal of the excavated sediments.

Sediments excavated from a pond commonly contain various types of waste material. These materials may include excess spoils and/or coal processing waste. This category of material must be disposed of within the permit area in accordance with UMC 817.71.

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Once mixed in the pond, it becomes quite difficult to identify and separate the specific percentage of natural sediments versus coal waste/spoils and other material. The Division is in the process of developing a standard policy which will be applicable to all coal mines seeking to dispose of pond sediments and future requests to clean sediments from the Crandall Canyon pond will be reviewed against this policy.

In the interim, Genwal's proposed plan for the dewatering, sampling and laboratory analysis of the sediments to determine toxicity and/or acidity before disposal at the approved Sinbad landfill site is approvable. Disposal must be in accordance with the requirements of the Department of State Health's September 5 letter. The Division must receive copies of all laboratory analyses of representative sediment samples and approve of the results prior to disposal at the landfill site.

Unless the operator notifies this office to the contrary, we will assume that Genwal concurs with these requirements. Should questions remain regarding the content or requirements described above, please call.

Sincerely,

*Lowell Braxton for*

D. Wayne Hedberg  
Permit Supervisor/  
Reclamation Hydrologist

PERMITTING CHRONOLOGY:

- A. Operator Submittals
  - 1. August 20, 1985
  - 2. October 3, 1985

- B. DOGM Responses
  - 1. September 20, 1985
  - 2. October 24, 1985

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September 30, 1985

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DIVISION OF OIL  
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Re: Abatement NOV N85-4-12-3, #3 of 3.

Dear Mr. Hedburg,

In response to your letter dated September 25, 1985, I would like to respond to concerns as stated in your letter;

1. I have requested that the Department of Health send you a letter stating the permit number and permit term of the Sinbad Landfill. Sinbad Landfill received their approval through a letter dated July 7, 1985 and the permit term is open ended. Please find enclosed the letter we have received from the Department of Health with the conditions for depositing coal mine waste. Mr. Kent Montague has also stated in a phone conversation that this landfill has been approved to accept wastes normally developed at a mine.

2. The Sinbad landfill is located in Emery County Utah, proceed 2.5 miles west on SR 29 from the intersection of SR 10 and 29, turn right and proceed 2.6 miles North on the Des Bee Dove Mine road, turn right and proceed .6 miles Northeast to the landfill. The Sinbad landfill is approximately .3 miles past the county landfill.

3. Genwal Coal Company will not take the responsibility of management of the landfill, we feel this is the responsibility of the permittee. Genwal Coal Company is not a landfill operator and will not monitor the activities at the landfill. However Genwal Coal Company will not deposit material in this approved landfill when we have been advised or have knowledge that this landfill is not being operated in accordance with the State permit.

4. As stated in the letter from the Department of Health, Genwal Coal Company will comply with the requirement to dewater the sediment pond sludge prior to hauling this to the landfill. Genwal will also sample this material while removing it from the pond and have it analyzed for toxicity and acidity prior to removal from the mine site and depositing in the Sinbad Landfill. No toxic, or hazardous materials, or liquids will be removed from the minesite and deposited at the Sinbad Landfill. Genwal will contact the Department of Health for proper disposal of these materials and comply with their guidelines.

5. Noncoal waste is deposited in a dumpster located at the west end of the property. A controlled piled of scrap metal is also maintained next to the dumpster for future sale to a scrap metal dealer. When the dumpster is full it is loaded on a truck and dumped at an approved landfill and then returned to the minesite.

6. The sediment pond will be cleaned using the following method:

- a. The pond will be dewatered by excavating the sediment in a corner of the pond (during a period of low water level), water will then be pumped from this hole into the mine's underground sump. This pumping will only be done when practical.
- b. As the sediment dries it will be removed and stored on the pad just west of the coal stockpile until dry enough for removal to the Sinbad Landfill. All runoff or residual moisture from the sediment will be directed back to the sediment pond. Sediment that is excessively wet may be stored in a corner of the pond until it is transported to the stockpile pad area.

In regard to your statement on the dust content of material in the intake and return, Genwal Coal Company mines coal rock to rock, unlike many mines in the area, and will have no problems meeting this criteria set by MSHA. Disposal of Underground Development Waste, when not disposed of on pillar lines, will be treated with rock dust to insure compliance with dust specs.

If you have any further questions or comments please feel free to contact me at 637-7383. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

*Charles H. Gent, Jr.*

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September 23, 1985

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED  
(P592-429-564)

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Dear Mr. Gent:

Re: Abatement Plans for Notice of Violation N85-4-12-3, #3 of  
3, Noncoal Waste Disposal Plan, Crandall Canyon Mine,  
ACT/015/032, #3, Emery County, Utah

The application for the Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP) amendment concerning the noncoal waste disposal plan has been reviewed by the Division. Several conditions must be addressed by the company before approval for the plan can be granted by the Division:

1. There should be a letter from the State Department of Health, providing the permit number for the landfill, the permit term and any conditions that the State Department of Health has concerning disposal of noncoal mine waste in the landfill.
2. A general description (or map) of the location of the Sinbad landfill site must be provided.
3. The landfill must be an approved sanitary landfill and operation of the landfill must be in accordance with all local, state and federal requirements as addressed under UMC 817.89(b). The operator must provide a commitment to comply with these requirements, and shall not dispose of noncoal wastes in the landfill when or if the landfill is not operating under the approval of these agencies.

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4. The operator shall not dispose of coal spoils, mine development waste, sedimentation pond materials, PCB's, liquids, hazardous or toxic wastes, or any other materials which are not approved for disposal in the landfill.
5. Additionally, the operator must provide plans and provisions for the temporary storage of noncoal waste materials at the mine site. The waste materials would later be disposed of at the approved landfill.
6. If the operator's immediate plans are to excavate sediments from the sedimentation pond, then a plan for temporary storage and permanent onsite disposal of the sediments must be provided. The plan should include a provision for analytical testing of the sediments for toxicity.

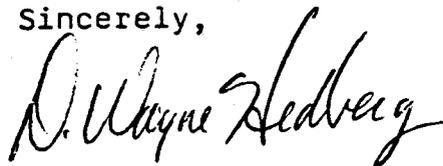
Disposal of excess spoils, waste rock, underground mine development waste and sediment pond sediments must be disposed of within the permit area boundaries. The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) requirements for stowing of materials underground may not allow for the disposal of some mine waste material generated during operations. Specifically, 30 CFR 75.400 (Federal Law), states that the combustible content of the dust on the roof, floor and ribs cannot exceed 35 percent in intake air and 20 percent in return air. Consequently, some mines have been required to remove underground accumulations of waste rock material for surface disposal, when quantities exceed the above limits.

Genwal must develop a plan for temporary and permanent disposal of such waste material which will be compatible with the requirements of MSHA and the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining. These requirements must be met prior to any mine waste materials being brought to the surface for either temporary or permanent storage on the surface.

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The Company should address the conditions (#1 through 6) by October 4, 1985. We appreciate your cooperation in addressing these remaining concerns. Please contact me or Randy Harden should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Permit Supervisor/  
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Re: Non-coal waste disposal Tract 1

Dear Mr. Braxton,

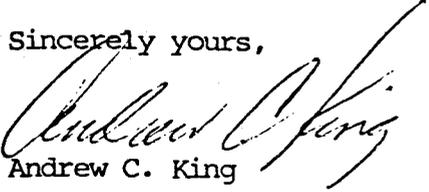
At this time Genwal Coal Company would like to request that the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining approve, for the disposal of non-coal waste from the Crandall Canyon Mine, the State approved landfill of Sinbad Construction.

In a recent conversation with the Department of Health Waste Disposal Branch's, Kent Montague, it was determined that this site would be a suitable landfill for the types of material generated at the mine site. In our conversation I related to him the types of material that would be placed in such a landfill including, oil soaked dirt, used oil drums, metal bands, wood, sludge from the sediment pond and various other waste generated at a typical coal mine. He did not see any problem with the items that were to be placed in the landfill and recommended I talk with Sinbad Construction as a possible site.

I hope you find this plan as being acceptable, if so I would appreciate you passing this along to Dave Lof of the inspection group, as abatement for the disposal portion of the NOV written in conjunction with the site development plans. We will dispose of the oil soaked dirt at the mine site at this location.

If there are any further questions or comments please feel free to contact me at 637-7383. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

  
Andrew C. King