

United States Department of the Interior  
Office of Surface Mining  
Mine Site Evaluation Inspection Report

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Batch

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Report

2. Name of Permittee

Gewner Coal Company

9. MSHA Number

42-01715-

10. Date of Inspection (Y Y M M D D)

9/03/20

3. Street Address

PO Box 1201

11. State Permit Number

ACT 0015/032

4. City

Huntington

5. State

UT

12. Name of Mine

Crandal Canyon

6. Zip Code

84527

7. Area Code

801

8. Telephone Number

687-9813

13. County Code 14. State Code

015 UT

15. Strata

16. State Area Office

01

17. OSM Field Office No.

02

18. OSM Area Office No.

19. OSM Sample No.

20. Type of Inspection (Code)

50

21. Joint Inspection Yes No

X

22. Inspector's ID No.

246

23. Status

A 01

Type of Permit

B A

Mine Status (Code)

C 20

Type of Facility (Code)

D 00164.4

Number of Permitted Acres

E 00005.2

Number of Disturbed Acres

24. Type of Activity (check applicable boxes).

A  Steep Slope

E  Anthracite

B  Mountain Top Removal

F  Federal Lands

C  Prime Farmlands

G  Indian Lands

D  Alluvial Valley Floors

H  Other

25. Performance Standards (Codes)

Instructions: Indicate compliance code. For any standard marked 2 or 3 provide narrative to support this determination.

Standards That Limit the Effects to the Permit Area

- A  Distance Prohibitions
- B  Mining Within Permit Boundaries *TAN-Viol #1*
- C  Signs and Markers
- D  Sediment Control Measures *TAN-Viol #2*
- E  Design and Certification Requirements—Sediment Control
- F  Effluent Limits
- G  Surface Water Monitoring
- H  Ground Water Monitoring
- I  Blasting Procedures
- J  Haul/Access Road Design and Maintenance
- K  Refuse Impoundments
- L  Other: Specify \_\_\_\_\_

Standards That Assure Reclamation Quality and Timeliness

- M  Topsoil Handling
- N  Backfilling and Grading
- O  Following Reclamation Schedule
- P  Revegetation Requirements
- Q  Disposal of Excess Spoil
- R  Handling of Acid or Toxic Materials
- S  Highwall Elimination
- T  Downslope Spoil Disposal
- U  Post Mining Land Use
- V  Cessation of Operations
- W  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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DIVISION OF  
OIL GAS & MINING



March 20, 1991

Permittee: Genwal Coal Co.  
P.O. Box 1201,  
Huntington, UT 84528

Mine: Crandal Canyon

Type of Inspection: Partial

Participants: Messrs. Allen Childs, Mine Mngr. and Randall  
Ralphs, Foreman, Genwal Coal; Mr. Steve Demczak, DOGM; Mr. Jeff Zingo,  
OSM/Albuquerque.

The purpose of this inspection was to review the Crandal Canyon haul road, its associated disturbance, and the amount that the road is used to facilitate coal mining.

Mr. Demczak and I stopped at the mine office and notified Messrs. Allen and Ralphs of my intention to inspect the the haulroad and associated facilities, while Mr. Demczak conducted a partial inspection of the other mine facilities.

Inspection of the haulroad resulted in the following findings:

-the road is leased to Genwal Coal Company by the USDA Forest Service through a special use permit.

-Genwal substantially improved the bridge over Huntington creek, widened the road, and placed a base of crushed rock on the road surface. The haul road currently ranges from 35' to 50' wide. The coal company reconstructed the road from a jeep trail, and is conducting all of the road maintainance.

-The road begins at State highway #31, crosses Huntington Creek, and extends approximately 1.5 miles to the mine. A Forest Service trail head into the Mante La Sal National Forest begins at the mine site where a small Forest Service parking area exists. The parking area also serves as a snow storage area for Genwal Coal Company.

-The haul road is not permitted along the entire 1.5 miles.

-Traffic on the road during the inspection consisted of coal hauling trucks and an occational Genwal employee accessing the mine. No public use was observed during the afternoon of March 20, 1991. According to a Genwal employee, the only public use is in the warm weather months when an occational hiker or hunter will use the previously mentioned trail head.

Because of the above findings I issued Ten-Day Notice #91-02-246-2 (violation #1) on 3/21/91 to DOGM for, "Failure to obtain a permit from the Utah - DOGM prior to engaging in and carrying out coal mining and reclamation operations."

While leaving the mine site Mr. Demczak and I identified a mud flow that had been flowing off the road and into Huntington creek during periods of snow melt or rainfall. The mud flow is just west of the haul road bridge and had been entering Huntington creek up stream of the bridge. The mud was not moving on 3/20/91 but was frozen in place.

Following are the demensions of the mud flow, the depths of the mud are estimated because of the frozen conditions:

-exiting the haul road in 2 locations as follows,

- (1) 10'wide x 6"deep
- (2) 25'wide x 4"deep

-widest part of the flow is 30';

-where it has been entering the stream in 3 locations as follows,

- (1) 17'wide x 6"deep
- (2) 5'wide x 2"deep
- (3) 17'wide x ? depth due to frozen conditions

The mud flows from the road pose a serious threat to Huntington creek and are a direct result of the reconstruction and continued use of the road for access to and coal haulage from the Crandal Canyon mine. This condition is not being addressed, and the mud continues to flow into Huntington creek with each snow melt or rainfall.

Because of the above findings I issued Ten-Day Notice #91-02-246-2 (violation #2) on 3/21/91 to DOGM for, "Failure to prevent, to the extent possible, additional contributions of sediment to streamflow.

OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT  
RANDOM SAMPLE MEIR SUPPLEMENT

1. Permittee General Corp 5. Days since Last State Complete Inspection (LSCI) 50  
 2. Permit Number RET 10151032 6. Block 25 Categories in NON-COMPLIANCE this RSI 2  
 3. Joint Inspection Y / N 4. Date 03-20-91 7. Total Violations this RSI 2

8. List (only once) all violations:  
 1) where State enforcement was required and taken during the LSCI;  
 2) recorded in the LSCI report but the State failed to take enforcement;  
 3) observed during this RSI which clearly existed during the LSCI but the State failed to take enforcement; and;  
 4) existing during this RSI which are not already listed under one of the categories above.

LAW / REGULATION VIOLATED	BLOCK 25 CATEGORY	ABATED (Y/N)	STATE ACTION	REASON IF UNCIITED	CAUSE	PEO	SERIOUSNESS IMPACT	OSMRE ACTION	OPTIONAL
1. <u>RLW 130e 112.4001</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	
Description: <u>Failure to obtain a permit for a haul road.</u>									
2. _____									
Description: _____									
3. <u>RLW 130d 242.0111</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	
Description: <u>Failure to prevent to the extent possible additional contribution of sediment to stream flow.</u>									
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STATE ACTION

1) Existed on LSCI, cited  
 2) Existed on LSCI, not cited  
 3) Cited Prior to LSCI.  
 4) Occurred since LSCI

STATE'S REASON FOR NOT CITING VIOLATION (AFTER DISCUSSION WITH THE STATE)

1) Not a Violation  
 2) Precluded by State Policy  
 3) Not included under State Program  
 4) Warning given in lieu of a Citation  
 5) Violation not recognized (assess)  
 6) Practice allowed under approved Permit  
 7) Too minor to cite  
 8) Working with Operator to Correct  
 9) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

PROBABLE TYPE OF EVENT OCCURRENCE

1) Formal Defect  
 2) Unusual Weather Conditions  
 3) Unofficial Warning  
 4) Operator Negligence  
 5) Other: Operator

IMPACT

1) None or Minor  
 2) Moderate  
 3) Considerable  
 4) None or Minor  
 5) Moderate  
 6) Considerable  
 7) None or Minor  
 8) Moderate

OSMRE ACTION

1) Referred to State Action  
 2) TDR issued  
 3) LH-CD issued  
 4) Previously Cited.  
 5) Referred during or before OSMRE inspection

Other: Operator  
weaver

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
Office of Surface Mining  
Reclamation and Enforcement  
**TEN-DAY NOTICE**

Originating Office:  
Office of Surface Mining-Albuquerque  
625 Silver Ave., SW, Ste. 310  
Albuquerque, NM 87102  
Telephone Number: (505)766-1486

Number: X - 91 - 02 - 246 - 2 TV 2

Ten-Day Notice to the State of Utah - Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

You are notified that, as a result of a federal inspection (e.g. a federal inspection, citizen information, etc.) the Secretary has reason to believe that the person described below is in violation of the Act or a permit condition required by the Act. If the State Regulatory Authority fails within ten days after receipt of this notice to take appropriate action to cause the violation(s) described herein to be corrected, or to show cause for such failure and transmit notice of your action to the Secretary through the originating office designated above, then a Federal inspection of the surface coal mining operation at which the alleged violation(s) is occurring will be conducted and appropriate enforcement action as required by Section 521(a)(1) of the Act will be taken.

Permittee: <u>Genwal Coal Co.</u> <small>(Or Operator if No Permit)</small>	County: <u>Emery</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface
Mailing Address: <u>P.O. Box 1201, Huntington, UT 84527</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Underground
Permit Number: <u>ACT/015/032</u>	Mine Name: <u>Crandall Canyon</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

NATURE OF VIOLATION AND LOCATION: Failure to obtain a permit from the Utah - DOGM prior to engaging in and carrying out coal mining and reclamation operations.

Section of State Law, Regulation or Permit Condition believed to have been violated: R614-300-112.400

~~NATURE OF VIOLATION AND~~ LOCATION: Located at the Crandall Canyon mine haulroad, from the present permit boundary to State Highway #31.

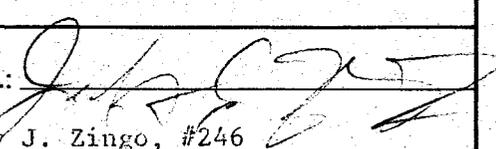
Section of State Law, Regulation or Permit Condition believed to have been violated:

NATURE OF VIOLATION AND LOCATION: SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

Section of State Law, Regulation or Permit Condition believed to have been violated:

Remarks or Recommendations: Submit permitting and bonding information to DOGM for the haulroad described above.

Date of Notice: 3/21/91  
CERT. RECEIPT # P 965 799 046

Signature of Authorized Rep:   
Print Name and ID: Jeffrey J. Zingo, #246