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Re: Convulsion Canyon  
Southern Utah Fuel Company  
ACT/041/002  
Sevier County, Utah

On April 20, 1981, Division inspectors Sandy Pruitt and Tom Portle performed a partial inspection on the above-mentioned minesite. They were accompanied on this inspection by Kerry Frame, chief engineer for SUFCO.

The purpose of this inspection was to inspect areas of concern as indicated in the March 12, 1981, memo. Areas of concern:

1. Regarding work has yet to be done on the Class III road leading to the sediment pond. However, ditch maintenance had been done and channel lining was in progress during the inspection. This riprap was being laid by hand, rock had been obtained from the immediate area. The area above the gate near the road had been leveled as required. The inlets to the sediment pond had yet to be ripped.

During the inspection, we observed many areas which revegetation was taking place. From the juted area, very little vegetation was taking place at the time of the inspection. The best revegetation was in area around the sediment pond and some on the downslope from the main pad towards the sediment pond. Mr. Frame said they intend to water this area in order to facilitate the continued emergence and growth of seedlings.

The silt fence which had previously been discussed which would have been placed approximately 10 yards from the topsoil stockpile on the stream had yet to be implemented. This was intended to be done in the very near future.

Some work is required for which SUFCO proposes to do in the near future is to take an oil tank from above their main pad area and bring it down and place it near their proposed material storage yard extension. This 5,000 gallon tank would then be used to store oil that was generated in the service of vehicles.

During the inspection, we observed the fan area and the gravel which has been placed in this area. The theory behind this area is, although water will contact the surface facilities, it will go through the gravel and not pick up any amount of sediment or oil or any other possible hazardous materials and then be diverted into the main culvert under the pad and then out into the natural drainage. Water monitoring results can be used to determine if any change in water quality can be related to this plan.

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The county road going up to the SUFCO minesite is used as an access and haul road, part of that road had washed out during the spring time. Material used to repair this road was being obtained from an area which was owned by Coastal States, the parent company of SUFCO. Mr. Frame felt that since this was off his permit area and it was not SUFCO's property, the company was behaving correctly in repairing this road on which they have a maintenance agreement with the county. None of the material obtained from this area was used within the permit area. Since it was a county road, there was some question on how to proceed. When the matter was discussed, Mr. Frame agreed to implement environmental control measures in this area to protect the topsoil and protect the area from erosion and off-site sediment loss. However, he didn't feel that this was on his permit area. Another factor to be considered, is that SUFCO has tentative plans to use this as a rock disposal area in the future. Due to the emergency status of the situation and the above mitigating factors, it was felt that a violation was not warranted in this case. However, this situation needs to be followed up closely in the future.

No violations were warranted.

THOMAS L. PORTLE TLP  
RECLAMATION OFFICER

cc: Tom Ehmett, OSM  
Kerry Frame, SUFCO

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Statistics:

See Geneva Mine memo dated May 18, 1981.  
Grant: A & E