

TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

Utah Coal Regulatory Program

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TO: Internal File

FROM: Peter H. Hess, Environmental Scientist III/Engineering, Team Lead

RE: Midterm Permit Review, Canyon Fuel Company, LLC, SUFCO Mine, C/041/002,
Task ID #2068

SUMMARY:

The Division initiated a midterm permit review of the SUFCO Mine mining and reclamation plan as well as the in-place facilities on November 18, 2004. The review of the Permittee's ownership and control information as it exists within the Office of Surface Mining's Applicant Violator System is an integral part of the midterm review process.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

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IDENTIFICATION OF INTERESTS

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR 773.22; 30 CFR 778.13; R645-301-112

Analysis:

The Permittee submitted revisions to the Chapter 1, Ownership and Control information for the Soldier Canyon Mine on November 17, 2004. The submittal was associated with General Chapter 1 information, which is relative to all of the Canyon Fuel Company, LLC operations in Utah. Through numerous revisions and updates of ownership and control information, (Task ID #2069) the Permittee received Division approval of the General Chapter 1 information on February 8, 2005.

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Findings:

The ownership and control information that has been submitted prior to the initiation of the SUFCO Mine midterm permit review has been approved by the Division. Same meets the minimum regulatory requirements of this section.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Midterm review requirements have been met relative to this section and the amendment should be approved.