January 9, 1979

MEMO TO FILE:

Re: Utah Coal and Energy
Black Hawk Mine
ACT/043/001

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An inspection of Utah Coal and Energy's Black Hawk Mine near Coalville, Utah was made on the afternoon of January 8, 1979 by Larry Damrau of O.S.M. with Tom Suchoski and Mike Thompson of the Division.

The mine was inactive and appeared to have been so for some time. The site was covered with snow so observation of the surface was difficult. It was apparent however, that no on-site work has been done to help bring the mine into compliance.

Mr. Jom Hagerty of Wescar, Inc. talked with the O.S.M. and Division personnel and stated that to his knowledge the mine had been inactive for at least two months. Wescar has a two month option on purchasing the property and they are presently drilling the area. Wescar had previously filed the proper notice of intent as required by the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act and is in compliance in their drilling program as far as notice is concerned.

One problem was observed however; to allow the water truck access to Chalk Creek, someone working for Wescar had bladed a mixture of frozen soil and snow into the creek. Mr. Hagerty stated that the problem would be cleaned up. A letter will be written to Wescar's Denver office to make sure this is expeditiously done.

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