

July 3, 1980

Memo to Coal File:

RE: Utah Coal and Energy Co.
Blackhawk Mine
ACT/043/001
Summit County, Utah

The above mentioned operation was inspected on June 23, 1980 by Joe Helfrich from the Division and Eileen Doherty from the Office of Surface Mining. The purpose of the trip was to acquaint inspector Doherty with the surface facilities at the Blackhawk mine.

Mine Status

Inactive resulting from the Division's cessation over issued December 19, 1979 compliance under the interim program. Utah Coal and Energy must enter a surety for reclamation performance and a mining and reclamation plan prior to any activity on the mine site. In reference to the updated reclamation plan, a request for approval on temporary measures to abate degradation of mine site surface was submitted to the Division on April 14, 1980.

Abatement measures proposed as follows:

1. Erect a retaining wall with large diameter poles along the east side of the dugway leading from portal #2. The purpose of this wall is to prevent sluffing of the toe of the gravel slope to the east which at present exceeds normal angle at rest.
2. Implementation of straw bales as sediment builders.

The above mentioned plans were deemed inadequate by the Division and a request was made by Mr. Cafarelli to meet with representatives of the Division at the mine site to discuss possible alternatives for adequate runoff control for the permit area, however, Mr. Cafarelli was unable to meet with Division members at the time specified and has yet to contact the Division in regards to the above mentioned temporary compliance measures.

No violations were issued.

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CC: Murray Smith, OSM Denver

Statistics: Kaiser Sttel, Sunnyside memo dated June 24, 1980.