

September 2, 1981

Inspection Memo  
To Coal File:

RE: Utah Coal & Energy Company  
Blackhawk Mine  
ACT/043/001  
Summit County, Utah

The Blackhawk Mine, located about 10 miles northeast of Coalville, was visited on August 20, 1981, by reclamation officer Sandy Pruitt, Jean Dautre and Rex Fidler of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining. No Utah Coal & Energy Company personnel were available at the minesite.

The inspection was conducted to determine the progress in construction of the overland flow diversions and implementation of the slope stabilization plan which was approved on March 13, 1981, by letter to Mr. Clem Cafarelli, President of Utah Coal & Energy Company. Stipulation #2 of the plan directs the operator "to repair the breach in the sedimentation pond and maintain the pond in a manner compatible with its intended use".

Earth was pushed up by a bulldozer to repair the breach, but the operator also worked on a second pond to the east of the first, without prior approval from the Division. The earth fill was not placed, consolidated or compacted properly to give the strength, width or holding capabilities of a properly constructed dam, as directed in UMC 817.46.

NOV #N81-2-2-1 was issued on April 6, 1981, and three extensions were granted to a full 90 day term or until July 7, 1981. As the plans were not complete by the final deadline, the Division granted a conditional extension to July 13, 1981, the date of a pre-design conference with State Health, subject to a retractive fine of \$750.00 per day after July 7, 1981. These plans were received at the pre-design conference July 13, 1981, and the violation was terminated.

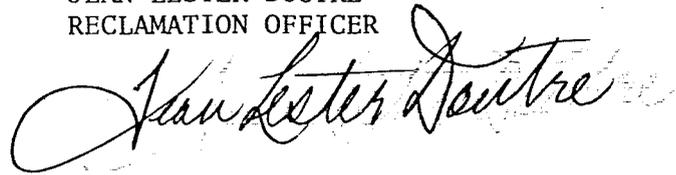
The plans have been reviewed, but have not been approved because necessary information is still missing.

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It is understood that Eric Quam and Matt Hanna, the engineers who planned to oversee the development of the mine area no longer work for the Blackhawk Mine.

Stipulation #5 of the slope stabilization plan states: "The approval terminates within one year (March 13, 1982)". It would appear the year is half gone, and the best construction period is almost over. Much work is still to be done before the mine can be ready to operate.

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RECLAMATION OFFICER



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cc: Tom Ehmett, O.S.M. Staff  
Inspection Staff

Statistics:

Vehicle: #EX 68805  
118 Miles  
3 persons @ 4 hours = 0 per diem