

MINE INSPECTION REPORTS Q1 2011

AIR QUALITY #1 MINE SOUTH PORTAL PREP PLANT

Inspection date: 01/04/11 1st shift

Areas Inspected: Prep plant, raw coal tunnel, raw coal belt, slope head house, plant feed belt, load out belt, load out tunnel, fines belt clean coal belt, surface equipment.

Findings/Law violated:

1. Walkway on east side of slope belt needs canopy belt covers removed from walkway. 30cfr77.205 (b)
2. Slope head house hydraulic unit needs cleaned. 30cfr77.200
3. Heater switches and heaters on load out decks need id tags.
4. Stop signs need placed where gob pile blocks haul road traffic view by prep plant. 30cfr77.1608 (a)
5. East side of scalping screen walkway needs cleaned. 30cfr77.205 (b)
6. Feeders #6, #2, and #1 in raw coal tunnel need legible id labels on them. 30cfr77.200

Corrective action taken: All citations were noted by management and were being corrected.

AIR QUALITY #1 MINE, HART STREET

Inspection date: 03/08/11 2nd shift

Areas Inspected: Unit #1, Unit #2, 3ME belt, 1a belt, 1b belt, and secondary escape way from Unit #1 to bottom.

Findings/Law violated:

1. At #1 cross cut on the 3ME haul road the high voltage cable needed additional guarding at the #024-002 feed thru vacuum breaker. 30cfr75.807
2. At #29 crosscut on the 3ME belt line high voltage cable needed additional guarding on the south side of the belt walkway. 30cfr75.807
3. Between # 17 and # 18 crosscut on the 3ME belt line on the south side rib area needed pried down and timber set. 30cfr75.211 ©

All areas were flagged off until corrections are made.

Corrective action taken: Management was made aware of citations issued and areas were to be corrected.

CARLISLE MINE, SUNRISE COAL COMPANY

Inspection date: 01/25/2011 1st shift

Areas Inspected: Slope belt head, raw coal tunnel, raw coal belt, plant feed belt, raw coal stacker belt rotary breaker belt, clean coal belt, train load out, preparation plant, and surface areas.

Findings/Law Violated:

1. Bathhouse/office 480 volt transformer needed fire extinguisher. 30cfr77.1109 (d)
2. Coal needs cleaned away from the 303 RC belt hopper from the 302 feed belt walkway. 30cfr 77.200
3. Need fire extinguisher at Rotary Breaker motor installation. 30cfr77.1109(d)

Recommendations: Surface fire extinguishers will expire at the end of the month on the inspection tags. Update tags before months end.

Corrective action taken:

1. A fire extinguisher was placed at the bathhouse/office transformer and at the rotary breaker motor.
2. The area at the hopper of the 303 belt was flagged until coal was removed.
3. Surface personnel were updating all extinguishers.

Inspection date 02/23/11 2nd shift

Areas Inspected: Unit #3, Unit #4, Unit #3 section belt, Unit #4 section belt, and secondary escape way from unit #3 to bottom and unit #4 to bottom.

Findings/Law Violated:

1. Unit #3 section belt line did not have a fire riser at # 5 crosscut on which made the distance out by #5 crosscut to the next fire riser greater than 300 feet.
30cfr75.100-2 paragraph 3 sec (b)

Corrective action taken:

1. The citation was noted by management and they were given 24 hours to abate the citation. The fire riser was replaced on the following shift which was the midnight shift (idle shift) 2/24/11.

FRANCISCO MINE, BLACK BEAUTY COAL COMPANY

Inspection date: 2/18/11 1st shift

Areas Inspected: Surface area, 2a belt, 2b belt, Unit #2, secondary escape way from Unit to bottom.

Findings/Law Violated:

1. Oxygen tanks in storage one bottle had no cap. 30cfr77.208 (e)
2. Permanent electrical installation by tank storage no fire extinguisher. 30cfr77.1109 (d)
3. No fire extinguisher at compressed cylinder storage. 30cfr77.1109 (a)
4. At #11 crosscut on the 2norrt southeast main at the battery charging station: discarded batteries need removed. 30cfr75.400
5. Paint can was on the unit #2 section transformer. 30cfr75.400

Corrective action taken: All citations were being attended to. Extinguishers were put in place, cap was being gotten for oxygen bottle, batteries were being removed and paint can was removed from transformer.

FREELANDVILLE MINE, TRIAD COAL COMPANY

Inspection date: 1/06/11 1st shift

Areas Inspected: Plant feed belts, load out hoppers, preparation plants, surface equipment, scalping screens, and general surface area.

Findings/Law Violated:

1. Start/Stop switch for the plant feed belt needs ID tag. 30cfr77.507
2. Oxygen cylinders in storage area, two needed cylinder caps on them. 30cfr77.208.

Corrective action taken: Citations were noted and being corrected.

Inspection date 2/15/11 1st shift

Areas Inspected: Mainwest belt, 1st northwest belt, 2nd northwest belt, 1st northeast belt 3rd northwest belt, 1st northeast panel belt, and Unit #1.

Findings/Law Violated:

At the charging station on the 3northwest haul road at crosscut #62 the 7-1 charging station had an accumulation of hydraulic oil around the battery station and needed cleaned and rock dusted. 30cfr75.400

Corrective action taken: The battery station area was cleaned and rock dusted.

***Recommendations: The fire risers on the belt lines those that do not have the pipe threads protected need to be cleaned and protected.

GIBSON MINE, GIBSON COAL COMPANY

Inspection date: 1/05/11 1st shift

Areas Inspected: Slope belt head house and working decks, 101 belt and working decks, 102 belt and working decks, raw coal tunnel and belt, raw and clean coal stackers and silos, preparation plant, shop area, MCC buildings, and surface equipment.

Findings/Law Violated:

1. Head house of slope belt, oxygen and acetylene tanks need broke down and tank caps put on. 30cfr77.208 (e)
2. 2nd deck of slope head house needs walkway areas straightened and swept. 30cfr77.202 and 77.205 (b)
3. 101 belt walkway were coal was spilled needs cleaned. 30cfr77.205
4. All decks on the 101 belt need general clean up and walkways cleared. 30cfr77.205 (b)
5. Raw coal tunnel needs cleaned. 30cfr77.202

Corrective action taken: Management was made aware of all citations written and the process of correcting them began.

Recommendations: All fire extinguishers on surface are inspected for 180 day expiration checks.

Inspection date: 3/02/2011 2nd shift

Areas Inspected: Unit #3, Unit #4, 4a belt, 4b belt, and secondary escape way from unit #3 to bottom.

Findings/Law Violated:

1. At cross cut # 11 on the 4b belt line to haul road life line area that leads to refuge chamber was obstructed with supplies. Supplies need removed. 30cfr75.380(d) (1)
2. High voltage cable in #4 entry on unit #4 behind transformer by mine phone needs guarded. 30.cfr75.807
3. Paint can was on Unit #4 transformer. 30cfr75.400
4. Unit #4 the # 6009 roof bolter had no pry bar. 30cfr75.211 (d)

Corrective action taken:

1. Supplies were removed from walkway to refuge chamber.
2. High voltage line was tagged and would be guarded on idle shift.
3. Paint can was removed from transformer.
4. Pry bar was put on # 6009 roof bolter.

OAKTOWN FUELS # 1 MINE

Inspection date: 1/21/2011 1st shift

Areas Inspected: Preparation plant, raw coal stacker belt, clean coal belt, train load out belt, raw coal tunnel, raw coal tunnel belt, plantfeed belt, shop, surface equipment, and MCC rooms.

Findings/Law Violated:

1. Raw coal stacker head house needs swept, and fines cleaned out from under head. 30cfr77.202
2. Acetylene tank in raw coal head house needs secured. 303cf77.208 (d)
3. Grease stored in MCC room for slope belt and stacker belt needs removed. 30cfr77.1103 (a)
4. Oxygen cylinders in full storage compartment at shop need secured. 30cfr77.208 (d)
5. Jog switch for Unit 1 308B screen bowl centrifuge needs ID tag. 30cfr77.200
6. Outside of preparation plant by storage shed fuel cans need removed in area by oxygen/ acetylene tanks. 30cfr11103 (a)

Corrective action taken: Acetylene tank in raw coal head house was secured. All other citations were noted by management and corrective action was being initiated.

Inspection date: 02/24/11 2nd shift

Areas Inspected: Unit #1, Unit #2, 1st west sub main belt, 1st south sub main belt, 1st south sub main belt, and 1st east sub main belt secondary escape way from Unit 2 to bottom.

Findings/Law Violated:

1. 1st south sub main belt inby take-up at cross under: bulk dust needs removed form walkway. 30cfr 75.1403.5 (j)
2. #10 crosscut on the 1st south sub main belt, rib corner needs cleaned and support set. 30cfr75.202
3. Unit # 1 paint can on unit transformer. 30cfr 75.400
4. Unit #2 paint can on battery charger in # 3 entry by tool box. 30cfr75.400.

Corrective action taken: All citations were corrected.

Inspection date: 03/23/11 1st shift

Areas Inspected: Unit #1 #5 entry mined into abandoned oil well.

Findings/Law Violated: None: MSHA had already issued citations.

PROSPERITY MINE, FIVE STAR COAL COMPANY

Inspection date: 1/19/2011 1st Shift

Areas Inspected: Preparation Plant, raw coal stacker, raw coal stacker belt, rotary breaker area, rotary breaker belt, plant feed belt raw coal tunnel, raw coal belt, and surface equipment.

Findings/Law Violated:

1. Raw coal stacker belt structure needed cleaned. 30cfr77.200
2. Raw coal stacker belt walkways needed cleaned. 30cfr77.205 (b)
3. Two belt rollers on the raw coal stacker belt were broken and needed replaced. The rollers were tagged to identify them. 30cfr77.200.

Corrective action taken: Management was made aware of citations written and corrective action was beginning to abate citations.

Inspection date: 03/01/2011

Areas Inspected: 1st north main west belt, Unit #4, and secondary escape way from unit #4 to bottom.

Findings/Law Violated:

1. At # 86 crosscut on the 3north #4 haul road east side Hi-line needs guarded where mobile equipment pass under. 30cfr75.807
2. At # 11 crosscut on the west side of the 1nmw belt, added roof support is needed in belt walkway. Danger tag was posted. 30cfr75.211 ©.

Corrective action taken: Management was made aware of citations issued and corrective action was being initiated.

Recommendation: That plastic pvc pipe caps be put on fire riser outlets to protect threads and integrity of risers.

FREELANDVILLE WEST MINE, TRIAD COAL COMPANY

(On line 8/17/2010)

Inspection date(s): 2/14/2011 1st shift

Areas Inspected: Secondary escape way, primary escape way, unit # 1, and battery stations.

Findings/Law Violated: No violations found: Mine was in excellent condition.

****As of 01/01/2010 Peabody Coal Company's , Air Quality Wheatland Preparation Plant , is no longer active, so inspections are no longer required.****