July 27, 2011

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY
UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF A UPDES PERMIT

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS TO DECLARE THE STATE OF UTAH’S INTENTION TO REISSUE A UTAH POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (UPDES) PERMIT UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE UTAH WATER QUALITY ACT, SECTION 19-5-104 AND 107, UTAH CODE ANNOTATED 1953, AS AMENDED. SAID “PERMIT” REFERS TO UPDES PERMIT AND THE STATEMENT OF BASIS (INCLUDING THE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDL’S)) IF APPLICABLE, AS PER SECTION 303 (d) OF THE FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT (CWA).

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: Canyon Fuel Company, LLC.-SUFCO Mine.
MAILING ADDRESS 597 South S.R. 24, Salina, UT 84654
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (435) 286-4421
FACILITY LOCATION: Convulsion Canyon east of Salina, Utah off I-70 from Exit #73
UPDES PERMIT NO.: UT0022918
OUTFALLS: 001, 002, 003
RECEIVING WATERS: Quitchupah Creek

BACKGROUND

Canyon Fuel Company, LLC-SUFCO Mine is an active underground coal mining facility. Since the last permit renewal SUFCO has built an additional settling pond at the 002 discharge point. These ponds will be operated in series with the 002 discharge point coming from the new second sedimentation pond. Outfall 003 discharges mine water on a continuous basis from a mine breakout point into Quitchupah Creek. Outfall 001 is associated with previous mine dewatering operations and has not discharged in several years and is not anticipated to discharge in the foreseeable future.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on August 29, 2011. Written public comments can be submitted to: Mike Herkimer, UPDES Engineering Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: mherkimer@utah.gov. After considering public comment the Utah Water Quality Board may execute the permit reissuance, revise it, or abandon it.

The permit is available for public review under “Public Notices” at www.waterquality.utah.gov. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Mike Herkimer at 801-536-4386.