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## **Summary of PM<sub>10</sub> Data**

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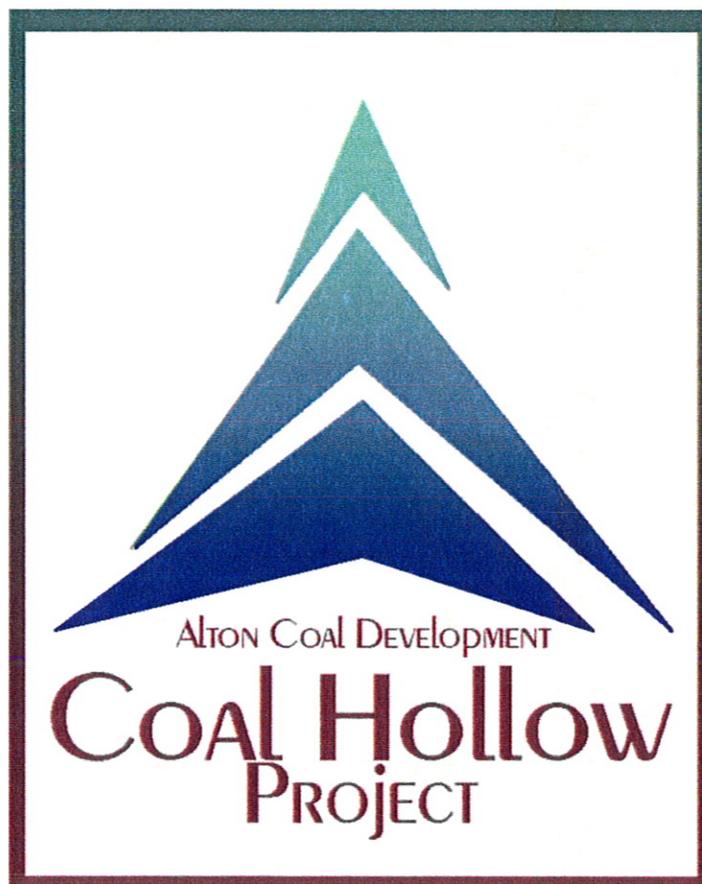
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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report summarizes measurements of Particulate Matter less than 10 microns nominal aerodynamic diameter (PM<sub>10</sub>) collected and processed by Alton Coal Development, LLC, (ACD) from the three monitoring stations located at the Coal Hollow Mine Facility in Alton, Utah. Monitoring for PM<sub>10</sub> is a condition of the mines operating permit.

PM<sub>10</sub> monitoring at the site consists of three BGI PQ200 PM<sub>10</sub> monitors run by solar power. Figure 2 of this report shows the approximate locations of the monitoring locations. The BGI PQ200 monitors are EPA Reference Method monitors and are operated on the National Particulate 1-in-6 Monitoring Schedule. The data summarized herein covers the data collected during the first quarter of 2014.

## 2.0 SITE LOCATION

The Coal Hollow Mine is located in Kane County, Utah, approximately three miles southeast of the town of Alton, Utah. Figure I on the following page gives an overview of the site location. Specifically the Coal Hollow Mine is located in Sections 19, 20, 29, and 30 of Township 39S, Range 5W; with an approximate facility location of:

Northing: 41401699 meters

Easting: 371534 meters

Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) Datum NAD27, Zone 12

The two monitoring locations as depicted in Figure 2, are located in positions to collect both background and maximum PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations. The background monitor has a manufactures serial #962, therefore this monitor will be referred as monitor 962A. The compliance monitor has a manufactures serial #963, therefore this monitor will be referred as monitor 963B. The co-located monitor has a manufactures serial #964, therefore this monitor will be referred as monitor 964C. The compliance monitor and the co-located monitor coordinates are 37° 24' 5.04" North Latitude, 112° 27' 20.91" West Longitude, WGS84 Datum. The background monitor coordinates are 37° 24' 21.96" North Latitude, 112° 25' 59.97" West Longitude, WGS84 Datum.

Figure 1 - Site Location Map

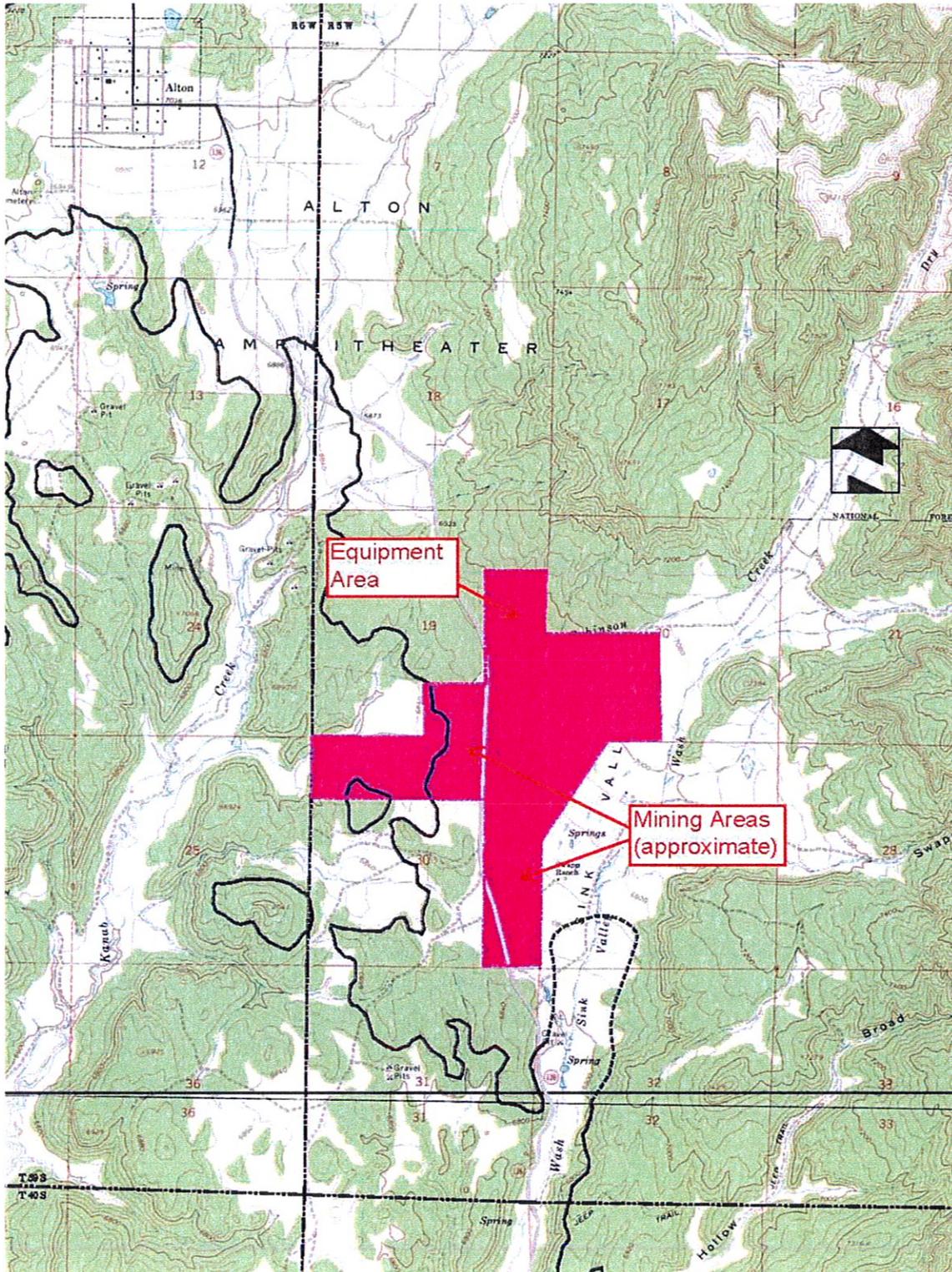


Figure 2 - Satellite View of Monitoring Locations



### 3.0 AIR QUALITY DATA SUMMARIES

A listing of the measured  $PM_{10}$  concentrations for the quarter are presented in Appendix B (individual data sheets are provided on the enclosed disk in the PDF version of Appendix B) and Field Data Sheets generated during the collection of each sample are presented in Appendix D. Measurements were collected during a 24-hour periods and represent the average  $PM_{10}$  concentration during the midnight to midnight data collection cycle. As required by the operating permit, duplicate measurements were made with Sampler #963B (designated as a compliance monitor) and Sampler #964C (designated as a co-located sampler) to the extent possible. The #964C monitor continues to have problems, ACD is in contact working with the manufacture (BGI) to diagnose and resolve issues with this monitor. Once the #964C monitor fails again, the monitor will be returned to the manufacture with the error codes generated during the failed run and necessary repairs made. The quarterly mean  $PM_{10}$  concentration and the comparison of measured concentrations to standards are based on measurements from the primary Sampler #963B. If a measurement from Sampler #963B was missing or invalid, the measurement from the secondary Sampler #964C would be used.

The highest 24-hour mean  $PM_{10}$  concentrations measured during the quarter from the two monitoring locations are summarized in Table I, Table II, and Table III. The three highest

concentrations, # of valid samples, and the arithmetic mean concentrations from each of the sites are listed. All measured PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations were below the 24-hour National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) of 150 µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

**Table I - Summary of Measured PM<sub>10</sub> Concentrations (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)  
Background Monitor - 962A**

RANK	DATE	PM <sub>10</sub> CONCENTRATION
Highest	3/30/2014	8.2
2 <sup>nd</sup> Highest	3/24/2014	7.6
Monthly Mean	1/1/14-1/31/14	2.7
Monthly Mean	2/1/14-2/28/14	4.0
Monthly Mean	3/1/14-3/31/14	5.1
Quarterly Mean	1/1/14-12/31/14 (15 valid samples)	4.0

**Table II - Summary of Measured PM<sub>10</sub> Concentrations (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)  
Compliance Monitor - 963B**

RANK	DATE	PM <sub>10</sub> CONCENTRATION
Highest	1/29/2014	47.2
2 <sup>nd</sup> Highest	1/23/2014	27.8
Monthly Mean	1/1/14-1/31/14	19.9
Monthly Mean	2/1/14-2/28/14	10.1
Monthly Mean	3/1/14-3/31/14	2.1
Quarterly Mean	1/1/14-12/31/14 (14 valid samples)	13.6

**Table III - Summary of Measured PM<sub>10</sub> Concentrations (µg/m<sup>3</sup>)  
Compliance Monitor – 964C**

RANK	DATE	PM <sub>10</sub> CONCENTRATION
Highest	1/29/2014	53.2
2 <sup>nd</sup> Highest	3/24/2014	26.3
Monthly Mean	1/1/14-1/31/14	20.5
Monthly Mean	2/1/14-2/28/14	10.6
Monthly Mean	3/1/14-3/31/14	12.8
Quarterly Mean	1/1/14-12/31/14 (15 valid samples)	14.6

**Table IV – Mean Quarterly and Monthly Wind Speed**

	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2014	January	February	March
Mean Wind Speed (m/s)	2.85	2.39	3.22	2.98

#### 4.0 DATA RECOVERY AND QUALITY ASSURANCE

##### 4.1 Data Recovery

###### Monitor 962A

Monitor 962A collected 15 of the 15 samples during the quarter. The percent recovery for this quarter is 100%.

###### Monitor 963B

Monitor 963B collected 14 of the 15 samples during the quarter. The percent recovery for this quarter is 93%. For the sample date of Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> the monitor was programmed for the wrong run date and did not run.

### Monitor 964C

Monitor 964C collected 15 of the 15 samples during the quarter. The percent recovery for this quarter is 100%.

The PM<sub>10</sub> data recoveries for the three monitoring stations are presented below:

**Table V - Summary of Data Recovery**

SAMPLER	POSSIBLE SAMPLES	VALID SAMPLES	PERCENT DATA RECOVERY
962A	15	15	100%
963B	15	14	93%
964C	15	15	100%

## **4.2 Quality Assurance**

Quality assurance procedures utilized to verify the integrity of the measured PM<sub>10</sub> data included the following:

1. Review of PM<sub>10</sub> precision measurements based upon duplicate, collocated measurements.
2. Independent quarterly audits of the PM<sub>10</sub> samplers.
3. Monthly zero and single point flow rate checks of the PM<sub>10</sub> samplers.

### **4.2.1 Precision of PM<sub>10</sub> Measurements**

The precision of the PM<sub>10</sub> measurements was determined from the duplicate samples collected from the collocated BGI PQ200 Monitors 963B and 964C. As recommended in *40 CFR, Part 58, Appendix A, Section 5.3.1*, PM<sub>10</sub> precision checks are reported for instances when the concentrations for duplicate samples both exceed 3 µg/m<sup>3</sup>. Duplicate samples that did not meet this condition were omitted for the purposes of the precision checks. Appendix C, of this report summarizes precision calculations between the compliance monitor and the co-located monitor. Monthly flow rate verification data is also summarized in Appendix C.

Precision calculations were developed based on 6 valid pairs of co-located monitoring data during the quarter. Single point precision based on *40 CFR, Part 58, Appendix A Equation 10* ranged from -13.1% to 34.3%. The aggregate coefficient of variability (CV) calculated in accordance with *40 CFR, Part 58, Appendix A Equation 11* is 17.7%. This value is above the 10% goal for aggregate CV. The value for the quarter CV was significantly impacted by the 33.5, -24.95, -23.2, and 22.5. Nine of the thirteen values exceeded the 10%. ACD will continue to investigate other causes that may have an effect on the correlation of precision calculations.

#### 4.2.2 Audit Results

The accuracy of the PM<sub>10</sub> sampler flows was verified by a performance audit conducted by Air Resource Specialist on February 5, 2014. A copy of the audit report is presented in Appendix E and is summarized in Table VI. The audit results indicate that the two samplers were operating properly, the collocated monitor was out for repairs.

**Table VI - Audit Summary**

SAMPLER	AUDIT % DIFFERENCE	LIMIT*	DESIGN % DIFFERENCE	LIMIT*
962A	-5.7	±4%	6.2	± 5%
963B	-1.4	±4%	1.3	± 5%
964C	1.6	±4%	-1.4	± 5%
*Values between ± 7% and ± 10% require recalibration but no data are invalidated.				

#### 4.2.3 Zero and Single Point Flow Rate Checks

Zero and single-point flow rate verifications are performed by a site technician on a monthly basis. The data was then input into a statistical calculator to calculate percent difference and bias between each of the monitors and the monthly single point flow rate measured by a NIST traceable calibration orifice. The calculator used is called the “Data Assessment Statistical Calculator” DASC Tool. DASC was developed for the data user community and can be found in the Precision and Accuracy Reporting System within the Quality Assurance section of EPA’s Ambient Monitoring Technology Information System. This data is presented in Appendix C of this report.