December 7, 2017

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

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this public notice is to declare the state of Utah’s intention to renew a Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (UDPES) 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 Fact Sheet and 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) 286-4489
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 (SUFCO) is an active underground coal mining facility. SUFCO has three discharge points known as Outfalls 001, 002 and 003. Outfall 003 discharges mine water on a continuous basis from a mine breakout point into Quitchupah Creek. The discharge from Outfall 003 has an average flow of 3.07 MGD with a daily maximum flow (design flow) of 5.5 MGD. Outfall 002, which drains the entire disturbed area of the surface facilities, is from a second sedimentation pond in a series of two sedimentation ponds. The discharge from Outfall 002 has an average flow of 0.0564 MGD with a maximum daily flow (design flow) of 0.5 MGD. Outfall 001 is has not discharged in several years and is not anticipated to discharge during this permit period.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on January 5, 2018. Written public comments can be submitted to: Jeff Studenka, UPDES Surface Water Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: jstudenka@utah.gov. After considering public comment the Director may execute the permit issuance, revise it or abandon it. The permit is available for public review at http://www.deq.utah.gov/NewsNotices/notices/water/index.htm. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Jeff Studenka 801-536-4395.