18/94-3-Books are in serve filit accor as Mine No Les,

Phil De Mais has has reged to a Come of the Commendation.

Adeumentation.

Discussed eventable

Longwall st filip of phistos in all notes filling Run. H. Manubela

1982, are books. POD 4/92

Zeigler Coal Co.
"Old Ben No.24" Mine

Herrin Coal

See 11

T 6 S.

R. 2 E.

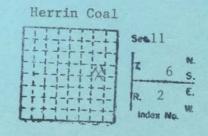
Index No.

Mine Index 866

Franklin Co.

Longwall study notes, nichoding all notes from late 1976 to 1982, are filed in 3 separate books. POD4192

Zeigler Coal Co.
"Old Ben No.24" Mine



Mine Index 866

Franklin Co.



Sheets) COAL PRODUCTION (Sheet Period Tons Day Year Mo. Day Year First production 1965 748 232 752 446 1966 1967 369 830 1968 644 331 1969 1970 823 428 674 1971 1972 OLD BEN COAL CO. 487 MINE NO.24 85% 1976 822 746 1977 072 120 078 448 899 1979 Idle Sept 2 - 1980 994 427 Reopening begins lade Aug. 81 Aug 1981 0 1982 0 production resumes October 172 1983 329 1984 413 406 1985 262 686 523 1986 916 566 007 1987 SUMMARIES 1989 No. 1965 TO 1971 453 917 Railroad, Wagon, Strip, Idle, Abandoned Sec. // IDENTIFICATION County No .. Coal No. Coal Report No. 5-25 Quad. Index No. County Franklin COAL MINE—PRODUCTI

ILLINOIS GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, URBANA

(2732—2M—7-41)

John C. Moore Corporation, Rochester, N.Y. 14604



FORM 180 W

Coal Production: 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994

> 1995 1996

Total Production:

Zeigler Coal Co. Old Ben No 24 Mine

Mine Index 866

Franklin Co.

ILLINOIS GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, URBANA

Old Ben Coal Corporation 24 Location - SE NE Sec. 11-6S-2E

Channel Sample 1 - face of 2nd N. entry Main N. Approximately 6"-1' of coal above channel (face - 1146' cut 9/1/65)

Total thickness - 822"

1'8 3/4" Coal - normally bright banded, much calcite on vertical fractures, mineralized fusain at 6 3/4", 1/4" bony band at 8" and 10½".

1'9" Fusain - soft (1/4")

2'32" Coal - normally bright banded, calcite and pyrite on vertical fractures.

2'4" Fusain - heavily mineralized with pyrite, omitted from sample.

45" Coal - normally bright banded, calcite and pyrite on vertical fractures, flattened and elongate pyrite nodule to left of channel - 36", thin less 1/8" soft fusain bands at 38" and 41".

64" Coal - not as bright as above, dirty, much calcite and pyrite on vertical fractures, 1/2" bony band at 50½", general dull appearance.

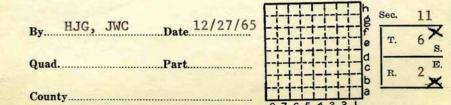
64½" Pyrite Zone - granular (1/2"), omitted from sample.

67½" Coal - as above - dull.

68%" Shale - medium gray, blue band, 3/4", omitted from

sample.

82½" Coal - normally bright banded with much calcite and pyrite on vertical fractures and along bedding.



ILLINOIS GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, URBANA

Old Ben Coal Corporation 24 Location - SE NE Sec. 11-6S-2E

Channel Sample #3 - 5th South off 8th W. South +150' (mined Dec. 21, 1965)

Total thickness - 6'6"

1'4" Coal - normally bright banded, calcite on vertical fractures, 1/8" bony band at 7" and at 1'3".

3'2½" Coal - normally bright banded, calcite and pyrite on vertical fractures, thin , less than 1/16" pyrite stringers in top 1", 1/8" soft fusain at 2", 6 3/4".

3'32" Fusain - fairly soft.

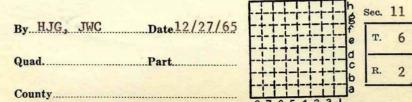
4'7" Coal - normally bright banded, fusain and pyrite, discontinuous and micaceous band, less than 1/8" common throughout.

5'52" Coal - normally bright banded, calcite on vertical fractures.

5'7" & 6'3" Shale - medium gray, blue band (omitted from sample) heavy concentration of pyrite along bedding and vertical 1", not omitted from sample.

6'6" Coal - normally bright banded, 3/8" fusain mineralized at 71".

Note: Bottom 2' generally dull in appearance than top 4 feet.





Old Ben Coal Corporation 24 Location - SE NE Sec. 11-6S-2E

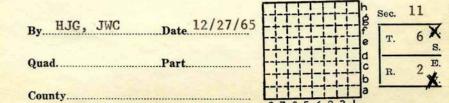
Channel Sample #2 - 2nd entry Main South (face +1504' cut 10/12/65)

Total thickness - 93"

- 12" Coal normally bright banded, calcite and pyrite on vertical fractures.
- 2'9½" Coal normally bright banded, calcite on vertical fractures, 1/8" fusain mineralized with thin pyrite stringers 1'2 3/4", 1/4" bony band 1'6½", 1'7½".

2'103" Fusain - soft 1"

- 3'0" Coal heavily shot with pyrite along cleat and vertical fractures.
- 4'4" Coal normally bright banded, calcite and rarely pyrite on vertical fractures.
- 75" Coal normally bright banded, calcite and locally pyrite abundant on the cleat, 1/2" bony coal at 4'10½" and at 67".
- 76½" Shale medium gray, includes thin lense of pyrite and vitrain, blue band, omitted from sample.
- 93"Coal dull, much pyrite and calcite along vertical fractures and along bedding, generally dull in appearance, not as bright as above.



Illinois State Geological Survey

Mine #24

Old Ben Coal Company Face Channel Sample #1 (Column sample also taken here)

Floor and roof are coal. 1455'E, 845'N of center of Sec. 9-6S-2E. In mine: 55th N of 1st W-S Room #29

roof		
thick		
6"	0" - 6"	Coal - Normally bright banded
0 5/8"	6" - 6 5/8"	Shale - Coaly, dark brown
9 3/8"	6 5/8" - 16"	Coal - Normally bright banded
1/8"	16" - 16 1/8"	Fusain - Soft, somewhat shaley
4"	16 1/8" - 20 1/8"	Coal - Normally bright banded
5/8"	20 1/8" - 21 3/4"	Fusain - Soft, and vitrain
13½"	21 3/4" - 35½"	Coal - Normally bright banded
1 3/8"	35½" - 36 5/8"	Pyrite - Lens-like (Excluded)
13"	36 5/8" - 49 5/8"	Coal - Fairly bright
12"	49 5/8" - 51 1/8"	Pyrite - Lens (Excluded)
1"	51 1/8" - 52 1/8"	Coal - Bright, many calcite
		stringers on bedding
		planes
21/2"	52 1/8" - 54 5/8"	Coal - Fairly dull
1"	54 5/8" - 55 5/8"	Shaley Coal - Soft fusain
		(a lens)
2111	58 1/8"	Coal - Fairly dull, probably
		high in ash
1支"	60 3/8"	Coaly Shale - With vitrain
		stringers
	67 7/8" - 7½"	Coal - Upper 1/3 probably high
		in ash
	68 3/8" - ½"	Shale - (Blue band) hard, well
		banded [!!!!!h
		(Excluded)
	M. E. Hopkins	F-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1
	Tukrel R. Thakur	
By	Heinz H. Dambergere	4-8-70
		F
Quadr	angle	87654321
County	FRANKLIN	Sec. 9 T 6S R 2E



84 7/8" - 16½" Coal - Several pyrite lenses up to 3/8"

4½" Coaly Shale - very hard, many

Coaly Shale - very hard, many
pyrite lenses (Not mined
and not sampled in Face
Channel or Column Sample

General remarks

Cleats fairly well developed, somewhat irregular especially in upper 2 feet, cleat filling almost exclusively calcite, very little pyrite, no kaolinite observed.

Ilinois State Geological Survey

Mine #24

Old Ben Coal Compgany, Sample #2 Room 4B, 25th south of 13th, West South

1340's, 2470'E of center of Sec. 15-68-2E Roof not visible

0-7%"

73" Coa1 1 11 Coaly shale - Lenticular

Coal - Fairly bright

7 11 Coal - Dull

133" Coal - Normally bright banded, several dull layers

1911 Coal - Normally bright banded

3,11 Fusain - soft

Coal - Normally bright banded

73" Coal - Normally bright banded, several dull bands which are high in ash

13" Coal - Shaley

23" Coal - Fairly dull, high in ash 11," Shale - Coaly, vitrain stringers

4 3/4" Coal - Some vitrain stringers, fairly high in ash

1" Coal - Bright

211 Coal - Dull, vitrain stringers

3/4" Shale - Brown, "blue band", hard 1" Coal - Shaley, somewhat pyritized, many

shale lenses

511 Coal - Normally bright banded, several thin shaley lenses up to 1/8" thick

77 3/4" Bottom of mined coal not bottom of coal seam underclay not exposed

M. E. Hopkins Tukrel R. Thakur By Heinz H. Damberger

4-8-70

Quadrangle_

Sec. 15 T 65 R 2E

County FRANKLIN

Illinois State Geological Survey

(Mine 24)

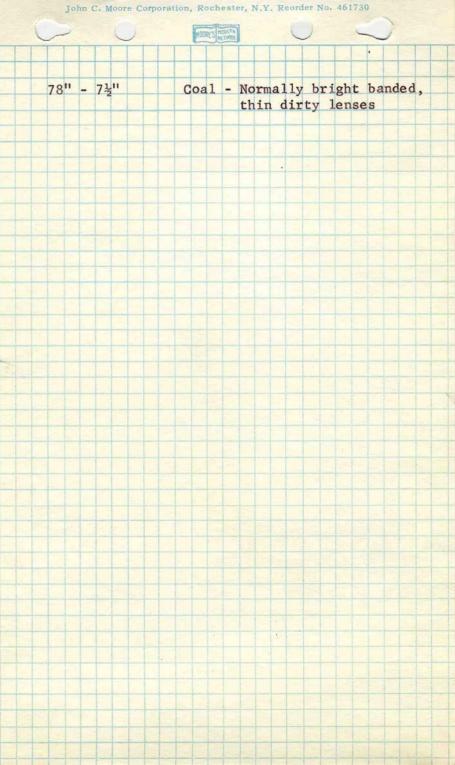
Old Ben Coal Company, Face Channel Sample #3.
Room #4, off 7th South off 18th East South.

1730' W, 400' S of center of Sec. 13-6S-2E
Total thickness measured 6'6"
Roof and floor not exposed, in coal

	0 102" = 102"	Coal -	Normally bright banded, few shaley lenticles
0/2	- 11" = ½"	Fusain	- Lenticular, soft
	- 25½" = 24½"		Normally bright banded,
			several soft fusain lenses
			which are somewhat shaley
	- 25 7/8" = 3/8"	Coal -	
	- 27 3/8" = 12"		dull, numerous vitrain
			stringers, some pyrite
			nodules
	- 29 3/8" = 2"	Coal -	Normally bright banded
	- 30 5/8" = 1½"		Dull, probably high in ash
	+46" = 15 3/8"		Normally bright banded
	46½" = ½"		lens - Soft, up to 2" thick
	+52 3/4" - 61"		Normally bright banded,
			very lenticular, with
			several bands rich in ash
	- 56 3/4" = 4"	Coal -	Dull few vitrain lenses
	- 58 3/4" = 2"		Normally bright banded,
			very lenticular
	-61 3/4" = 3"		- Very coaly
	-65 3/4" = 4"		Fairly dull, probably high
			in ash
	-69½" = 3½"	Coal -	Fine banded
	-70½" = 1½"	Shale -	- Dark brown, (blue band)
			fairly hard
			pyrite
	M. E. Hopkins		++++++++
	Tukrel R. Thakur		e
	Heinz H. Damberg	er	4-8-70
By_		ate	
			a la
Qua	drangle		87654321

County FRANKLIN

Sec. 13 T 65 R 2E



OLD BEN COAL CO. MINE # 24 BENTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Visit by Heinz Damberger, H.-F. Krausse, and possibly others, July 25 or 26, 1974. Reconnaissaince visit for Herrin (No. 6) Coal Roof Study.

All underground mines in the state mining the No. 6 Coal were visited in connection with this study, which was a contract sponsored and financed by the U.S. Bureau of Mines to determine the relationships between geologic features and roof conditions in the No. 6 Coal. After these reconnaissance visits, several mines were selected for more detailed mapping and study. Old Ben # 24 was not among them and was not visited again for the roof study.

The following two pages of original handwritten notes are all I could find from this visit. They are not signed but they appear to be in Heinz Damberger's handwriting. Reference is made to "Frieder's sketch" (H.-F. Krausse), but this sketch, along with any other notes he may have made, has been lost. No photos or maps from this visit are available, either.

Damberger and Krausse did not generally have their notes typed and filed and these here were found after both men had quit working at the Survey.

John Nelson 5/17/76

Lonepuall Study, beginning in late 1976 is contained in 3 separate FIELL Note Bootes. pSD 9/80 Notes 1983+on words cango here.

		rílinois	State Geologic	al Survey	0
	OCol	Ben	24	7/24	5/74
			A		
		gray Shall			#9
		Jane La	6	4	
west Good		Hilly & Badt	George Fai	ofly	
Good				s- 1 _	
Ву			Date		h ob c
	angle		Sec		8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

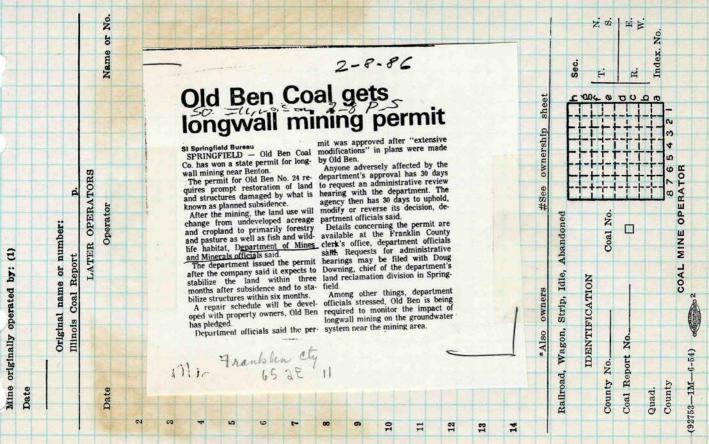
Old Ben 24 wrotge of whale 1-2" or oles 3-4 Neale 2 150 noch of Freder's Wetch In another roof fall coursed by a number of richer like above + incoular plips slickersides, 6-8 pay 5 John C. Moore Corporation, Rochester, N.Y. 14604



FORM 180 W



Preparation plant and surface buildings at Old Ben No. 24. Man shaft in background. Photo by John Nelson, March 1981.



MARKETS

OLD BEN SHAKE-UP RAISES QUESTIONS OF COAL MINE SALES. CORPORATE MOVE

A management shake-up at Old Ben Coal is sending tremors through the industry, raising questions about the future of company properties and its headquarters in Lexington KY.

The sudden retirement of Old Ben president Gerald Blackmore and the equally speedy appointment of Charles H. Bowman as his successor is attributed by many industry observers to a re-

COAL WEEK . July 21, 1986

structuring drive by British Petroleum, which owns controlling

interests in Standard Oil, Old Ben's parent firm.

It "sounds to me that what you're seeing is the guiding hand of British Petroleum in straightening out the coal operation," suggested one industry analyst. "The best way to correct the

s problem today is with radical surgery."

Along with Bowman, who had been senior vice president for 10 petroleum products and refining for Sohio Oil, other key appointments included: C.R. "Pete" Moore, senior vice president of marketing; Wayne Parke, senior vice president for operations planning and services; and D. J. Day, vice president for human resources. Day came over from Standard Oil while Moore had worked for BP Coal-North America. He had twenty years of experience in coal and uranium marketing for Getty Oil. Parke 18 served previously as head of Old Ben's Illinois and Indiana divisions. A replacement for Parke has not yet been named.

All the shuffling is giving rise to speculation that the company may place one or more of its mines on the selling block. Old Ben #24 near Benton IL has struggled and some observers think

it may be a cast-off candidate.

Old Ben and industry sources also say the relocation of company offices from Lexington to Cleveland is a possibility. Old Ben moved to the Blue Grass state from Chicago just three years ago, with officials saying at the time they wanted to be closer to holdings in eastern Kentucky. While an Old Ben spokesman said he had no announcement about any office switch, an industry analyst said such a move would make good corporate sense.

14

An Intelligence Service for Executives Covering US Steam Coal Prices, Markets, Politics & Economics

SPRINGFIELD MO TAPS OLD BEN FOR 2 YEARS; 1ST YEAR MINE PRICE \$20.15/T, \$20.85/T IN 2ND

Springfield MO City Utilities's board of directors has chosen Old Ben Coal Co. to supply its Southwest and James River power stations with a total of 300-500,000 tons of coal over the next two years. The FOB mine price of the coal, coming from Old Ben mines 24 and 26 in southern Illinois, will be \$20.15/ton for the first year and \$20.85/ton the second year.

The board last week rejected all bids which had been solicited on an additional three-year, 250-400,000 t/y coal supply contract which would have gone into effect April 1, 1990. A July 1, 1988 price escalation allowance on the three-year contract bid had been allowed, but the offers were rejected, a Springfield official said, when it appeared that vendors had escalated their prices (6-13-88 Coal Week) first and then re-escalated them on the July 1 basis.

Instead, Springfield expects to resolicit that coal in about a year. Burlington Northern Railroad deliveries of the Old Ben coal will begin as soon as possible, with first-year tonnage ending March 31, 1989, when the second year tonnages commence. Old Ben will supply an 11,700 Btu/lb., 2.7 percent sulfur coal, with other solicited specs being 9 percent ash maximum, 13 percent moisture maximum, 35 percent volatiles.

no Co. Location Basis Data



FORM 180 W

08.24

COAL WEEK, Vol. 16 No. 31 July 30, 1990

ZEIGLER CONCLUDES OLD BEN PURCHASE; B CANYON DROPPED, PRICE AT \$95 MILLION

Zeigler Coal, became Illinois's largest coal producer last week by acquiring nearly all of British Petroleum's remaining coal operations in the US.

The previously announced purchase price for BP properties Old Ben and Franklin Coal, a holding and sales company, was \$115 million, but it was reduced just before the sale closing (see related story page 2). Sources said the final base price was \$95 million with an additional \$10 million to be paid by Zeigler if it reaches undisclosed production levels.

Zeigler president Michael Reilly predicted his privately-held company's leaner managerial approach would boost operations at Old Ben mines in Illinois, Indiana and West Virginia. "In a year, you're going to see a big difference in Old Ben," Reilly told Coal Week. "It will be a lot more efficiently run." Old Ben's office in Cleveland will be closed within a few months and layers of management are being trimmed up and down the corporate hierarchy.

Combined Illinois offices at Benton

Zeigler plans to combine the current operations office for its three southern Illinois mines with Old Ben's Benton IL office, which had responsibility for four mines. The two former Old Ben mines in Indiana and Mine 20 will be grouped together.

Despite last week's announcement by a southern Illinois politician, Reilly insisted that no decision has been made to reopen the Old Ben No. 21 mine, closed since the end of March. No. 21 coal is "several dollars a ton" higher than what Zeigler can sell it for a profit, he said. "We have to find a way to get that cost down." Sources told Coal Week the BP-Zeigler sale agreement contains an option that could serve as a disincentive for the reopening of No. 21. "If Zeigler doesn't operate 21, they don't pick up some of the liabilities associated with the closing of 21," a source said.

Most Old Ben employees to stay on at Zeigler

Reilly said the "vast majority" of Old Ben and Franklin Coal personnel would stay on with Zeigler, but he didn't provide any numbers. According to sources, about 15 people at Old Ben's 80-person office in Cleveland were offered positions with Zeigler. At Old Ben's Benton office, 17 or 18 people were terminated, including high-ranking officials. The fewest cuts came in the coal sales group.

Reilly said his immediate goal is to "mine everything we can sell." He hopes the combined operations produce about 18 million tons a year. Zeigler has produced about 4 million tons a year and Old Ben about 14 million tons. Long range, Zeigler wants to continue growing. Said Reilly: "I'd like to expand in the West and expand in the East, but not this month."

John C. Moore Corporation, Rochester, N.V. 14604



FORM 180 W

Zeigler 24

Post-Disptell 8/21/90 p.9C

88 Are Laid Off At Zeigler Coal

Nearly 90 workers, mostly miners, were laid off Monday by Zeigler Coal Holding Co. at two mines near Benton, III.

The layoffs numbered 47 at Mine 26 and 41 at Mine 24. Zeigler bought the mines about a month ago from Old Ben Coal Co. The two mines had employed 730 people prior to the job cuts.

"The jobs were cut because the manning was more than was really needed," said Michael Reilly, president of Zeigler. "In order to operate the mines in a competitive manner, the way Zeigler operates other mines, the manning had to be reduced."

Zeigler acquired three operating mines in Illinois from Old Ben, plus another mine that was closed, plus two mines in Indiana and one in West Virginia.

Reilly said the company would like to open the closed mine but had not yet determined whether that was feasible. He said further layoffs might occur as manning is studied.

"We would like to take a positive step and reopen the closed mine, but that decision has not been made at this time," he said.

t



Mine Name or No.,

mile from

Operator, 19

Operator, 19

Entr

MO. PUBLIC SERVICES BUYS COAL; ZEIGLER TO SUPPLY SIBLEY 150.000 T

A. B.

C.

A possible coal solicitation Missouri Public Service officials talked about in early spring (3-23-92 *Coal Week*) has become a reality, with MoPub eventually deciding to buy 150,000 tons of Illinois coal from Zeigler Coal's <u>Old Ben No.s 24 and 25 mines</u>. Deliveries to the Sibley power plant via Illinois Central and Santa Fe railroads began in April and will continue through December, an official said.

ner

Final results of the utility's testing of three trainloads of coal from Coastal Coal's Skyline mine and a trainload of coal from Colowyo Coal Co.'s Colowyo mine have not been completely reviewed, but the coals burned well, the official said.

Both coals were blended and tested separately at Sibley with coal from ARCO Coal's Black Thunder mine. Additionally, the coals were burned without blending. Sometime in the third quarter MoPub could begin considering additional coal test candidates for extensive testing next year, but no coals have yet been selected.

D. Note collection of mine maps, arm records and share rogs.

Over - (0/45)

See drill record sheet,

E. Notes on surrounding area,

Railroad, Wagon, Idle, Abandoned

IDENTIFICATION

County No.

Coal No.

Part

Quad.

County

L.—SURFACE SHEET (Geol.)

h such a dic b a

T. N. S. E. W.

Index No.

Coal week, 8/1/95: "Med Ben, a

Jiigles Coal Holding Aubor dies; i

has idled its No. 24 underground wine

were Benton because of 125 mountainous

stock pile. Union sources raid the

idling is expected to loutinue until

the 1st as Ind week of August. Mod Ben

rold rome stockpile earl resently for

about \$13/4 reportedly under bidding

Kett-Uc Bee Coel Corp. !."

L. -SURFACE SHEET (Goot)

(2) Thickness, (3) Effect on mining and shaft-sinking of for

A. Topography, See

Entrance, Ellev., ft. below.
Depth to bottom coal, ft. Alt.

Operator, 19

Mine Pame of Mo., mile from John C. Moore Corporation, Rochester, N.Y. 14604

FORM 180 W

SAMPLE HISTORY

Plant sampled: Old Ben 24 (B)

Date: Nov. 18, 1992 Sample ID: OLDBEN24

C32801

Company:

Old Ben Coal Co

David M. Young, President

500 N. DuQuoin, Benton, IL 62812

Company representative: Lamon Hart

Mine (source of sample): Old Ben No. 24B

Collected by: Wayne T. Frankie

Seam identification: Herrin

Time of closure: *

Mining period represented (dates): 11/16-18/92

Panel(s) & location(s) in mine: Panel 18, near intersection of sections 23, 24, 25, and 26. (NW/NW/NW/NW of Section 25)

Mine/Plant locations (descriptive):

} or footage

Section 11 Twp. 6S

Rae. 2E

Type of Preparation Plant: Jig Plant, built by Allen Garcia in 1982, rated at 800 tons per hour (raw coal), currently running at capacity, Reject 28 to 32 Percent.

Sampling point:

increments: *

Belt (describe position in plant) cutter on belt before train load-out

Train

Truck

Company's sampling device (yes)

Type: Gallager, Three stage sampler

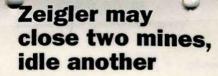
Primary every 1 min. and 50 sec., Secondary every 15 sec., tertiary every 10 sec., final product is 8 mesh.

Other (describe) Sample represents approximately 30,000 tons.

Procedures (describe other aspects):

Sampled by mining company staff

Additional Data:



FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS (AP) -Zeigler Coal Holding Co. may close two Franklin County mines and idle one in Randolph County next year, affecting up to 710 workers.

That represents 11 percent of the state's 6,200 coal mining jobs. And an additional 160 Zeigler jobs could be lost in 1997, when the Spartan Mine in Randolph County is expected to run out of coal, the company said Thursday.

Old Ben Mine No. 26 near Sesser is expected to run out of coal in the third or fourth quarter of next year, Zeigler spokesman Vic Svec said. And the Old Ben Mine No. 24 near Benton probably will close in the first quarter of 1996, he said.

The 260 workers at Mine No. 26 and the 300 at Mine No. 24 got 60-day layoff notices in July but learned in August that the mines would stay in production for the rest of the year because of stronger-than-expected coal sales. But Zeigler does not expect enough sales next year to keep both mines open, Svec said.

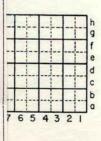
And in Randolph County, Zeigler Mine No. 11 near Coulterville and its 150 workers probably will be idled indefinitely next year, Svec said. It could reopen in 1997 when the Spartan mine runs out of coal, he said.

Zeigler's contract with the Tennessee Valley Authority, the primary customer for the two Franklin County mines, expires next year and probably will not be renewed, Svec said.

"We are making a last-ditch effort to find a home for that coal, but given the indicators that we've seen, I'd be lying if I said we were optimistic," he said.



De 200.



an Il des to

FIELD NOTES

Illinois State Geological Survey

Tool, June 1996

Firster Coal Holding in late April 1996

iolled its No. 24 mine, laying off 165

Workers, having only 5 miners on payed.

Blanded declining demand for mine's

high-rulper chall

un wraid that at last for more, mine

will us t be sealed; vertilation system will

be left on, so production could resume

if a market for coal could be found.

Obs

be retrewed Systematics of the observed of the observed of the sare maiding a last-ditch of fort to lind a home for that cost but given the indicators that we've seen, I'd be lying it I said we've seen, I'd be lying it I said

Quadrangle

Sec. OAST

County