



Addressing Barriers to CMM Project Development in Ukraine: Four Coal Mine Profiles





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FOUR MINE PROFILES

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INTRODUCTION

This document has been prepared according to the scope of work for the project, *Addressing Barriers to CMM Project Development in Ukraine*. This document replaces the outdated mine profiles presented in the handbook, *Coal Mine Methane in Ukraine: Opportunities for Production and Investment in the Donetsk Coal Basin*, published in January 2001. The updated information will provide potential investors, project developers and other stakeholders with more reliable information about existing opportunities in recovery and utilization of methane from coal mines. The mines described in the document have been determined to be the most promising candidates for implementation projects considering existing technical potential, interest from the mines, and support from the Ministry of Coal Industry of Ukraine and state coal associations.

1 GORSKAYA MINE

General Overview

The Gorskaya mine's coal reserves are located in the Almazno-Marievsky geologic/industrial district that lies in the northern section of the Donetsk Coal Basin (Figure 1.1). In geologic terms, the mine is in an element of the northeastern slope of the Bakhmut Depression that is complicated by second-order folding represented by the Gorsky Syncline and the Karbonit Anticline. Those structures are further complicated by flexural bends and continuity disturbances that include several thrusts (Mirnodolinsky, Yuzhny, and Vrubovsky) and a diagonal upthrow fault.

Gorskaya mine became operational in 1898. Now the mine is part of the Pervomayskugol Coal Association. Currently, the mine is state-owned but it is on the list of coal mines to be privatized according to government resolution #430 issued on April 2, 2009¹.

The mine property is bounded by the unassigned Mirnodolinsky tract in the northwest and by the Karbonit Mine property in the south. The explored coal seams of the Gorsky Gluboky section within the interval of 800 to 1,500 meters are estimated to contain 45.4 million tonnes of mineable reserves. Considering their low lithification, the coal seams and surrounding rock strata in this area tend to store significant amounts of gas.

The surface area is mostly used for farming with some planted forest areas. Within a 30-km range from the mine, the nearest industrial towns are Lisichansk, Rubezhnoye and Severodonetsk to the east and Pervomaysk and Popasnaya to the west. The mining property itself includes the town of Gorsk and other smaller towns. The property is crossed by several asphalt roads and railroad tracks. In the northern and southern sections of the property, the mine has a stationary degasification station with two NV50 vacuum pumps installed (each have a capacity of 50 m³/min). The mine employs a total of about 800 workers.

Mine Contact Information:

Mailing address: Gorskaya Mine, 21 Kuybisheva Street, Gorsk, Lugansk Oblast 49975, Ukraine Telephone number (main office): +(06455) 33654.

A summary of the mine's technical potential, general geologic data, and existing geologic and mining conditions is provided in Tables 1.1, 1.2 and 1. 3, respectively. Yearly coal production

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¹ On April 21, 2010, resolution #430 was abolished by the new government. The reason of its abolishment is formal (non-conforming with the Constitution of Ukraine). According to the Constitution, all issues concerning privatization in any sector of the economy are to be regulated by the law of Ukraine adopted by Verhovna Rada (parliament). This is why the Constitutional Court of Ukraine deemed resolution #430 to be non-conforming with the Constitution. Thus, formally there are no coal mines to be privatized at present, but strategically, government plans to privatize coal mines have not changed. It is expected that in the near future the appropriate law will be adopted by Verhovna Rada with the same list of coal mines to be sold at public auction.

and coal mine methane (CMM) emissions are presented in Table 1.4, and Figures 1.2 and 1.3. Current parameters and conditions of the mine's degasification system are provided in Table 1.5.



Figure 1.1 Location of Gorskaya mine

Table 1.1. General Information, Gorskaya Mine

| 1 | Total Mineable Reserves, thousand tonnes | 45,402 |
|----|--|-----------------------|
| 2 | Mineable Reserves, Active Mine Levels, thousand tonnes | 23,233 |
| 3 | Total Mining Area, km ² | 45.8 |
| | | 670 |
| | | 626 |
| 4 | Depth of Shafts, m | 860 |
| | | 655 |
| | | 912 |
| 5 | Mining Capacity, tonnes/day | 1,320 |
| 6 | Annual Electricity Consumption, MWh | 45,400 |
| 7 | Coal Consumers | SE «Vygillya Ukrainy» |
| 8 | Annual Heat Consumption, Gcal | 25,334 |
| 9 | Type(s) of Boilers | DKVR 10/13 |
| 10 | Boilers Fueled with | Coal |
| 11 | Fuel consumption, tonnes | 7,709 |
| 12 | Covered Fuel Demand, percent | 100 |

Table 1.2. General Geologic Information, Gorskaya Mine

| 1 | Coal Seam Gas Content, Range, m ³ /tonne | 5 - 18 |
|---|---|--------------------------|
| | Geothermal and Pressure Gradients: | |
| 2 | Geothermal, °C/100 m | 2.83 |
| | Pressure, MPa/1,000 m | N/A |
| | Overburden Composition: | |
| 3 | Sandstone, percent | 36.0 |
| 3 | Shale, percent | 57.0 |
| | Limestone, percent | 4.5 |
| 4 | Number of Coal Seams Above Currently Mined | 11 |
| 5 | Aggregate Thickness of Seams Above Currently Mined, m | 8.91 |
| | | Faults: |
| | | Maryevsky, Karbonitsky, |
| 6 | Geologic Phenomena | Brubovsky, Southern, |
| | | multiple small-amplitude |
| | | faults (0.5-5 m) |
| 7 | Gas Pressure in Surrounding Rock Strata, MPa | 13.5 |
| | Porosity and Permeability, Sandstone: | |
| 8 | Porosity, percent | 14 |
| | Permeability, mD | 2.2 |
| | Total Methane Resource, billion m ³ , including: | |
| 9 | Coal Seams, billion m ³ | 1.179 |
|) | Satellite Seams, billion m ³ | 0.544 |
| | Sandstone, billion m ³ | Not evaluated |

Table 1.3. Geologic and Mining Conditions, Gorskaya Mine

| # | | Coal Seam |
|----|---|------------------------------|
| # | | k_8 |
| 1 | Rank of Coal | High-vol bituminous coal |
| 1 | Kank of Coal | C, B |
| 2 | Seam Thickness, m | 1.8 |
| 3 | Pitch, degrees | 6 - 20 |
| 4 | Depth of Mining, m | 1000 |
| | Ash Content: | |
| 5 | Coal in Place, percent | 6.6 - 24.0 |
| | Run of Mine Coal, percent | 40.0 |
| 6 | Moisture, percent | 4.6 |
| 7 | Sulfur Content, percent | 3.9 |
| 8 | Gas Content, m ³ per tonne of daf coal | 16.0 |
| 9 | Mining Method | Combined |
| 10 | Roof Control Method | Complete caving |
| 11 | Panel Width, m | 250 - 300 |
| 12 | Mining Equipment | Mechanized complexes 3KD-80T |

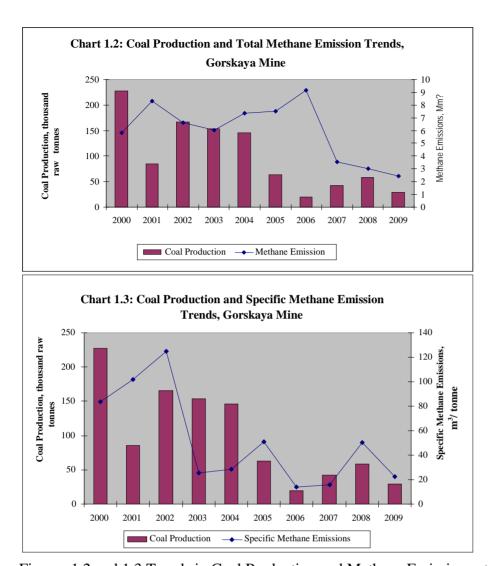
Table 1.4. Coal Production, Methane Emission and Degasification, Gorskaya Mine

| | Methar | ne Liberated by M million m³/year | lining, | Methane | Methane Content in | Specific Methane | Coal |
|------|-------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Year | Ventilation | Degasification | Total Emissions | Utilized, million m³/year | Captured Gas, percent | Emissions, m ³ /tonne | Production, thousand tonnes/year |
| 2000 | 5.80 | 0 | 5.80 | 0 | - | 83.4 | 227.3 |
| 2001 | 8.30 | 0 | 8.30 | 0 | - | 101.6 | 85.2 |
| 2002 | 6.63 | 0 | 6.63 | 0 | - | 124.6 | 166.1 |
| 2003 | 6.05 | 0 | 6.05 | 0 | - | 25.33 | 153.4 |
| 2004 | 7.34 | 0 | 7.34 | 0 | _ | 28.57 | 146.1 |
| 2005 | 7.50 | 0 | 7.50 | 0 | - | 50.83 | 63.1 |
| 2006 | 9.13 | 0 | 9.13 | 0 | - | 13.68 | 19.2 |
| 2007 | 3.52 | 0 | 3.52 | 0 | - | 15.46 | 42.1 |
| 2008 | 3.03 | 0 | 3.03 | 0 | - | 50.45 | 58.5 |
| 2009 | 2.45 | 0 | 2.45 | 0 | - | 22.7 | 29.4 |

^(-) Indicates information is not applicable

Table 1.5. Projected Degasification Parameters for 2010, Gorskaya Mine

| 1 | Number of Pumping Stations | 1 |
|---|---|------|
| 2 | Number of Pumps, 150 m ³ /min Capacity | 0 |
| 3 | Number of Pumps, 50 m ³ /min Capacity | 2 |
| 4 | Number of Longwalls Degassed | 1 |
| 5 | Average Degasification Statistics | |
| | Methane–air Mixture Consumed, m ³ /min | 36.4 |
| | Methane Content, percent | 33 |
| | Methane Capture Rate, m ³ /min | 8.37 |
| | Methane Utilization Rate by Season, m ³ /min | 0 |
| | Winter | 0 |
| | Summer | 0 |
| 6 | Length of Pipeline, m | 3600 |



Figures 1.2 and 1.3 Trends in Coal Production and Methane Emissions at Gorskaya Mine

2 VERGELEVSKAYA MINE

General Overview

The Vergelevskaya mine is located near the town of Bryanka (Figure 2.1), which is located in the southwestern section of the Donetsk Basin in the Lugansk Oblast, 58 km from Lugansk City (oblast center).

The mine became operational in 1956 and is now part of the Luganskvugol State Coal Association. Currently, the mine is state-owned, but is on the list of coal mines to be privatized according to government resolution #430 issued on April 2, 2009.

The mine's design capacity is 390 thousand tonnes. From 2001 through 2009, the mine operated at 66 to 96 percent of its original production capacity. In 2009, coal production was 353 thousand tonnes.

Currently, the Vergelevskaya mine is operating at the l_5 coal seam, which is 0.91 meters thick and is generally considered prone to outbursts. As of January 1, 2009, the mine's total coal reserves were estimated at 30.9 million tonnes with an ash content (run of mine coal) of 39.4 percent and a sulfur content of 3.4 percent. The mine has three adjacent coal blocks with a maximum depth of 490 meters. The mine employs a total of 1,600 workers including 1,200 workers with underground mining experience.

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A summary of the of mine's technical potential, general geologic data, and existing geologic and mining conditions are provided in Tables 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3, respectively. Yearly coal production and CMM emissions are presented in Table 2.4 and Figures 2.2-2.4. Current parameters and conditions of the mine's degasification system are provided in Table 2.5.



Figure 2.1 Location of Vergelevskaya mine

Table 2.1. General Information, Vergelevskaya Mine

| 1 | Total Mineable Reserves, thousand tonnes | 30,876 |
|----|--|---|
| 2 | Mineable Reserves, Active Mine Levels, thousand tonnes | 10,582 |
| 3 | Total Mining Area, km ² | 22 |
| 4 | Depth of Shafts, m | 342 340 |
| 5 | Mining Capacity, tonnes/day | 1,045 |
| 6 | Annual Electricity Consumption, MWh | 26,479 |
| 7 | Coal Consumers | JSC « Zapadnaya energeticheskaya upravlyayushchaya kompaniya» |
| 8 | Annual Heat Consumption, Gcal | 26,849 |
| 9 | Type(s) of Boilers | DKVR 4.5/13 - 3 units "Lancashire" - 2 units |
| 10 | Boilers Fueled with | lean coal, gas coal |
| 11 | Fuel consumption, tonnes | 6,400 |
| 12 | Covered Fuel Demand, percent | 97.5 |

Table 2.2. General Geologic Information, Vergelevskaya Mine

| 1 | Coal Seam Gas Content, Range, m ³ /tonne | 23.94 |
|---|---|----------------------|
| | Geothermal and Pressure Gradients: | |
| 2 | Geothermal, °C/100 m | 2.85 |
| | Pressure, MPa/1,000 m | N/A |
| | Overburden Composition: | |
| 3 | Sandstone, percent | 37.0 |
| 3 | Shale, percent | 47.0 |
| | Limestone, percent | 9.0 |
| 4 | Number of Coal Seams Above Currently Mined | 8 |
| 5 | Aggregate Thickness of Seams Above Currently Mined, m | 6.7 |
| 6 | Geologic Phenomena | Faults Nikanorovsky, |
| U | Geologic Fileholliena | Borzhikovsky |
| 7 | Gas Pressure in Surrounding Rock Strata, MPa | N/A |
| | Porosity and Permeability, Sandstone: | |
| 8 | Porosity, percent | 4.32 - 5.09 |
| | Permeability, mD | N/A |
| | Total Methane Resource, billion m ³ , including: | |
| 9 | Coal Seams, billion m ³ | 0.95 |
| 7 | Satellite Seams, billion m ³ | Not evaluated |
| | Sandstone, billion m ³ | Not evaluated |

Table 2.3. Geologic and Mining Conditions, Vergelevskaya Mine

| | | Coal Seams | | | |
|----|---|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--|
| | | $l_6^{\ B}$ | l_{5} | l_4^{B} | |
| | | High-vol | High-vol | High-vol | |
| 1 | Rank of Coal | bituminous coal | bituminous coal | bituminous coal | |
| 1 | Kalik of Coal | C, B, Low-vol | C, B, Low-vol | C, B, Low-vol | |
| | | bituminous coal | bituminous coal | bituminous coal | |
| 2 | Seam Thickness, m | 1.06 | 0.91 | 1.01 | |
| 3 | Pitch, degrees | 0-12 | 0-12 | 0-12 | |
| 4 | Depth of Mining, m | N/A | 490 | N/A | |
| | Ash Content: | | | | |
| 5 | Coal in Place, percent | 2.7-18.9 | 8.6-31.5 | 4.1-23.6 | |
| | Run of Mine Coal, percent | 22.4 | 39.4 | 21.0 | |
| 6 | Moisture, percent | N/A | 3.5 - 3.8 | N/A | |
| 7 | Sulfur Content, percent | 1.7 - 5.2 | 3.4 | 1.7 - 4.59 | |
| 8 | Gas Content, m ³ per tonne of daf coal | N/A | 20 - 22 | N/A | |
| 9 | Mining Method | Not mining in | Longwall | Not mining in | |
| 9 | Willing Wethod | 2010 | | 2010 | |
| 10 | Roof Control Method | N/A | Complete caving | N/A | |
| 11 | Panel Width, m | N/A | 250 | N/A | |
| | | | Mechanized | | |
| 12 | Mining Equipment | N/A | complexes | N/A | |
| 12 | winning Equipment | 1 N / F X | KDN/A80, | 1 V / / A | |
| | | | UKDN/A200/250 | | |

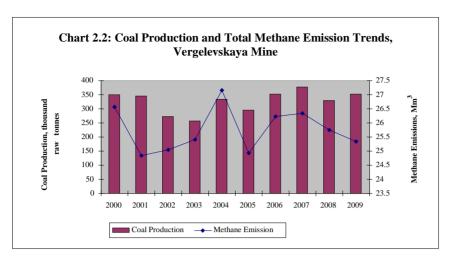
Table 2.4. Coal Production, Methane Emissions and Degasification, Vergelevskaya Mine

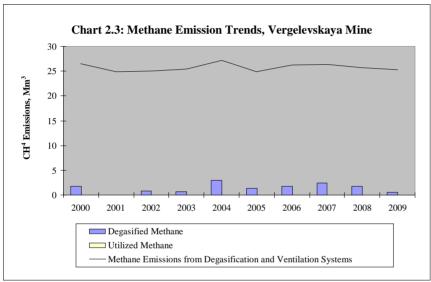
| | | ne Liberated by million m³/yea | <i>U</i> , | Methane Utilized, Methane Content in Methane Methane | | Coal Production, | |
|------|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Year | Ventilation | Degasification | Total emissions | million m³/year | Captured Gas, percent | Emissions, m³/tonne | thousand tonnes/year |
| 2000 | 24.85 | 1.71 | 26.56 | 0 | 15 | 24.87 | 349.3 |
| 2001 | N/A | N/A | 24.85 | 0 | N/A | 24.70 | 345.5 |
| 2002 | 24.18 | 0.87 | 25.04 | 0 | 17 | 25.42 | 273.3 |
| 2003 | 24.70 | 0.71 | 25.41 | 0 | 15 | 24.48 | 256.6 |
| 2004 | 24.18 | 2.99 | 27.17 | 0 | 14 | 25.23 | 333.5 |
| 2005 | 23.65 | 1.28 | 24.93 | 0 | 16 | 25.12 | 296.0 |
| 2006 | 24.44 | 1.78 | 26.22 | 0 | 16 | 24.80 | 351.3 |
| 2007 | 23.91 | 2.42 | 26.33 | 0 | 15 | 24.87 | 376.2 |
| 2008 | 24.01 | 1.73 | 25.75 | 0 | 15 | 25.68 | 329.3 |

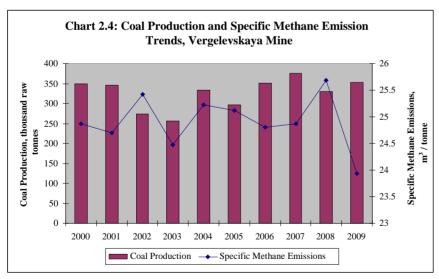
| 2009 24.80 0.54 | 25.35 | 0 | 7 | 23.94 | 352.8 |
|-----------------|-------|---|---|-------|-------|
|-----------------|-------|---|---|-------|-------|

Table 2.5. Degasification Parameters, Vergelevskaya Mine

| # | Indicator | Values |
|---|---|--------|
| 1 | Number of Pumping Stations | 1 |
| 2 | Number of Pumps, 150 m ³ /min Capacity | 0 |
| 3 | Number of Pumps, 50 m ³ /min Capacity | 1 |
| 4 | Number of Longwalls Degassed | 1 |
| | Average Degasification Statistics | |
| | Methane–air Mixture Consumed, m ³ /min | 22.0 |
| | Methane Content, percent | 15.0 |
| 5 | Methane Capture Rate, m ³ /min | 3.3 |
| | Methane Utilization Rate by Season, m ³ /min | 0 |
| | Winter | 0 |
| | Summer | 0 |
| 6 | Length of Pipeline, m | 270 |







Figures 2.2-2.4 Trends in Coal Production and Methane Emissions at Vergelevskaya Mine

3 MINE NAMED AFTER GAYOVY

General Overview

The mine Named After Gayovy is located within the city limits of Gorlovka, 48 km from Donetsk City, an oblast center (Figure 3.1). Gorskaya mine became operational in 1898. The mine is part of the Artemugol Coal Association. Currently, the mine is state-owned, but is included on the list of coal mines to be privatized according to government resolution #430 issued on April 2, 2009.

Edge seam mining at a significant depth of 1,125 meters is a particular feature of this coal mine. A VCD 47u fan is installed in the mine, which provides efficient ventilation of all mine operations. Applied mining technology is based on use of compressed air.

Because only upper coal in place is extracted, which is not choked up by in-situ rock, the percentage of ash content in produced coal is low.

As of January 1, 2009, the mine's total coal reserves were estimated at about 15.9 million tonnes with an ash content (in run of mine coal) of 1-6 percent and a sulfur content of 2 percent, on average.

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A summary of the mine's technical potential, general geologic data, and existing geologic and mining conditions are provided in Tables 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3, respectively. Yearly coal production and CMM emissions are presented in Table 3.4, and Figures 3.2 and 3.3.



Figure 3.1 Location of Mine Named After Gayovy

Table 3.1. General Information, Mine Named After Gayovy

| 1 | Total Mineable Reserves, thousand tonnes | 15,873 |
|----|--|-------------------------------|
| 2 | Mineable Reserves, Active Mine Levels, thousand tonnes | 5,672 |
| 3 | Total Mining Area, km ² | 11.32 |
| 4 | Depth of Shafts, m | 1,125 |
| 5 | Mining Capacity, tonnes/day | 520 |
| 6 | Annual Electricity Consumption, MWh | 62,200 |
| 7 | Coal Consumers | SE «Vygillya Ukrainy» |
| 8 | Annual Heat Consumption, Gcal | 591 |
| 9 | Type(s) of Boilers | DKVR 4.5/13, KE-14, KSVG-3 |
| 10 | Boilers Fueled with | Natural gas |
| 11 | Fuel consumption, m ³ | 83,465 |
| 12 | Covered Fuel Demand, percent | 100 |

Table 3.2. General Geologic Information, Mine Named After Gayovy

| 1 | Coal Seam Gas Content, Range, m ³ /tonne | 25.6 |
|---|--|-------------------|
| 2 | Geothermal and Pressure Gradients: | |
| | Geothermal, °C/100 m | 2.0 |
| | Pressure, MPa/1,000 m | N/A |
| 3 | Overburden Composition: | |
| | Sandstone, percent | 30.0 |
| | Shale, percent | 60.0 |
| | Limestone, percent | 20.0 |
| 4 | Number of Coal Seams Above Currently Mined | 24 |
| 5 | Aggregate Thickness of Seams Above Currently Mined, m | 1.16 |
| 6 | Geologic Phenomena | Gorlivsksky fault |
| 7 | Gas Pressure in Surrounding Rock Strata, MPa | N/A |
| 8 | Porosity and Permeability, Sandstone: | |
| | Porosity, percent | N/A |
| | Permeability, mD | N/A |
| 9 | Total Methane Resource, billion m ³ , including: Coal Seams, billion m ³ Satellite Seams, billion m ³ Sandstone, billion m ³ | N/A N/A N/A |

Table 3.3. Geologic and Mining Conditions, Mine Named After Gayovy

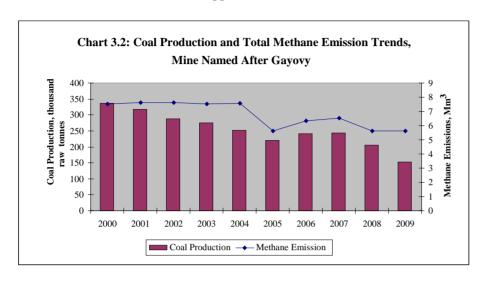
| # | | Coal Seams | | | | | | |
|----|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| # | | m ₁₃ | m_{10}^{-1} | m_3 | k_3^H | k_2 | | |
| 1 | Rank of Coal | High vol. bituminous A | | |
| 2 | Seam Thickness, m | 0.60 | 1.15 | 1.10 | 1.70 | 0.75 | | |
| 3 | Pitch, degrees | 60 | 60 | 62 | 65 | 65 | | |
| 4 | Depth of Mining, m | 975 | 975 | 975 | 975 | 975 | | |
| 5 | Ash Content: Coal in Place, percent | 1 | 4 | 1 | 6.0 | 2 | | |
| | Run of Mine Coal, percent | 1 | 4 | 1 | 6.0 | 2 | | |
| 6 | Moisture, percent | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 3.0 | 1.4 | | |
| 7 | Sulfur Content, percent | 1.2 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 2.9 | | |
| 8 | Gas Content, m ³ per tonne of daf coal | 58.1 | 31.9 | 27.4 | 26.1 | 15.9 | | |
| 9 | Mining Method | Longwall | Combined | Longwall | Longwall | Longwall | | |
| 10 | Roof Control Method | Chock support | Chock support | Chock support | Complete caving | Chock support | | |
| 11 | Panel Width, m | 120 | 120 | 120 | 50 | 120 | | |
| 12 | Mining Equipment | Pneumatic chipper | Pneumatic chipper | Pneumatic chipper | Mechanized complexes | Pneumatic chipper | | |

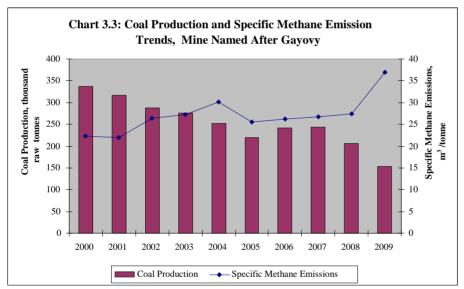
Table 3.4. Coal Production, Methane Emissions and Degasification, Mine Named After Gayovy

| Year | Methane Liberated by Mining, million m ³ /year | | Methane Utilized, | Methane Content in Captured | Specific Methane | Coal Production, | |
|------|--|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Tear | Ventilation | Degasification | Total Emissions | million m³/year | Gas, percent | Emissions, m ³ /tonne | thousand tonnes/year |
| 2000 | 7.537 | 0 | 7.537 | 0 | - | 22.38 | 336.8 |
| 2001 | 7.621 | 0 | 7.621 | 0 | - | 21.99 | 316.5 |
| 2002 | 7.605 | 0 | 7.605 | 0 | - | 26.45 | 287.5 |
| 2003 | 7.516 | 0 | 7.516 | 0 | - | 27.28 | 275.5 |
| 2004 | 7.590 | 0 | 7.590 | 0 | - | 30.07 | 252.4 |
| 2005 | 5.623 | 0 | 5.623 | 0 | - | 25.50 | 220.2 |
| 2006 | 6.329 | 0 | 6.329 | 0 | - | 26.17 | 241.8 |
| 2007 | 6.503 | 0 | 6.503 | 0 | - | 26.78 | 242.8 |

| 2008 | 5.618 | 0 | 5.618 | 0 | - | 27.36 | 205.3 |
|------|-------|---|-------|---|---|-------|-------|
| 2009 | 5.634 | 0 | 5.634 | 0 | - | 36.90 | 152.7 |

(-) Indicates information is not applicable.





Figures 3.2 and 3.3 Trends in Coal Production and Methane Emissions at Mine Named After Gayovy

4 MINE NAMED AFTER KALININ

General Overview

The state-owned Mine Named After Kalinin is located within the city limits of Donetsk in the Krasnogvardeysky Rayon, which is part of the city of Makeyevka. The surface of the mining area is a mildly undulating plain on which numerous structures were built by the city of Donetsk (Figure 4.1).

The mine became operational in 1963 and is now part of the State Coal Association "Donetskaya Ugolnaya Energeticheskaya Kompaniya." The mine has been issued a license (#1314 as of April 9, 1998) with a 20-year duration, which permits the extraction of coal, methane and drainage water. The mine is included on the list of coal mines to be privatized according to government resolution #430 issued on April 2, 2009.

The mine's design capacity is 1,200 thousand tonnes. From 2001 through 2009, the mine operated at 8 to 43 percent of its original production capacity. In 2009, 141 thousand tonnes of coal were produced. The mine employs a total of about 1,560 workers.

At present, the mine is operating at the h_{10} coal seam, which is about 1.27 meters thick. Mining of this coal seam is considered particularly dangerous because of the risk of methane gas explosions and pulverized coal ash outbursts.

As of January 1, 2009, the total mine's coal reserves were estimated at 12 million tonnes with an ash content (in run of mine coal) of 30.5 percent and a sulfur content of 3.5 percent, on average.

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A summary of the mine's technical potential, general geologic data, and existing geologic and mining conditions are provided in Tables 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3, respectively. Yearly coal production and CMM emissions are presented in Table 4.4 and Figures 4.2-4.4. Current parameters and conditions of mine's degasification system are provided in Table 4.5.



Figure 4.1 Location of Mine Named After Kalinin

Table 4.1. General Information, Mine Named After Kalinin

| 1 | Total Mineable Reserves, thousand tonnes | 12,079 |
|---|--|--|
| 2 | Mineable Reserves, Active Mine Levels, thousand tonnes | 12,079 |
| 3 | Total Mining Area, km ² | 35 |
| | | 782 |
| | | 229 |
| 4 | Depth of Shafts, m | 1,110 |
| | | 799 |
| | | 774 |
| 5 | Mining Capacity, tonnes/day | 350 |
| 6 | Annual Electricity Consumption, MWh | n/a |
| | | Central washing-house |
| 1 | | \mathcal{E} |
| 7 | Coal Consumers | "Uzlovskaya," Avdeevsky |
| 7 | Coal Consumers | |
| 7 | Coal Consumers | "Uzlovskaya," Avdeevsky |
| 8 | Coal Consumers Annual Heat Consumption, Gcal | "Uzlovskaya," Avdeevsky |
| 8 | | "Uzlovskaya," Avdeevsky coke plant |
| , | | "Uzlovskaya," Avdeevsky coke plant |
| 8 | Annual Heat Consumption, Gcal Type(s) of Boilers Boilers Fueled with | "Uzlovskaya," Avdeevsky coke plant 591 |
| 8 | Annual Heat Consumption, Gcal Type(s) of Boilers | "Uzlovskaya," Avdeevsky coke plant 591 Natural gas boilers |

Table 4.2. General Geologic Information, Mine Named After Kalinin

| 1 | Coal Seam Gas Content, Range, m ³ /tonne | 20-24 |
|---|---|--|
| | Geothermal and Pressure Gradients: | |
| 2 | Geothermal, °C/100 m | 3.4 |
| | Pressure, MPa/1,000 m | 4 - 12 |
| | Overburden Composition: | |
| 3 | Sandstone, percent | 30.0 |
| | Shale, percent | 68.2 |
| | Limestone, percent | 0.8 |
| 4 | Number of Coal Seams Above Currently Mined | 3 |
| 5 | Aggregate Thickness of Seams Above Currently Mined, m | 0.9 |
| 6 | Geologic Phenomena | Faults: Kalininsky (amplitude 250–270 m), Francuzsky (500–580 m), Centralny (5–15 m), Mushketovsky (150 m) |
| 7 | Gas Pressure in Surrounding Rock Strata, MPa | 3 - 5 |
| | Porosity and Permeability, Sandstone: | |
| 8 | Porosity, percent | 1.08-4.33 |
| | Permeability, mD | 0.02 |
| | Total Methane Resource, billion m ³ , including: | |
| 9 | Coal Seams, billion m ³ | 0.6539 |
| | Satellite Seams, billion m ³ | 1.1 |
| | Sandstone, billion m ³ | 1.8 |

Table 4.3. Geologic and Mining Conditions, Mine Named After Kalinin

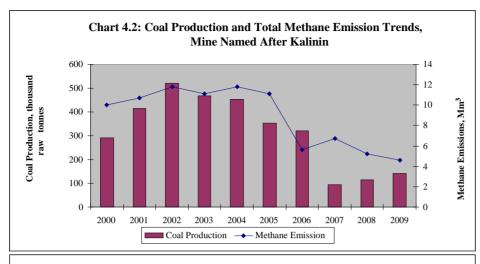
| # | Indicator | Coal Seam |
|----|---|-------------------------------------|
| # | | h_{10} |
| 1 | Rank of Coal | High vol. bituminous A, B; |
| 1 | Rank of Coar | Midvol. bituminous |
| 2 | Seam Thickness, m | 1.25 - 1.30 |
| 3 | Pitch, degrees | 16 - 32 |
| 4 | Depth of Mining, m | 1230 - 1350 |
| | Ash Content: | |
| 5 | Coal in Place, percent | 10.3 |
| | Run of Mine Coal, percent | 30.5 |
| 6 | Moisture, percent | 1.8 - 2.2 |
| 7 | Sulfur Content, percent | 2.5 - 4.4 |
| 8 | Gas Content, m ³ per tonne of daf coal | 20 - 24 |
| 9 | Mining Method | Longwall |
| 10 | Roof Control Method | Complete caving |
| 11 | Panel Width, m | 280 |
| 12 | Mining Equipment | Mechanized complexes 2KD-90, 1K-101 |

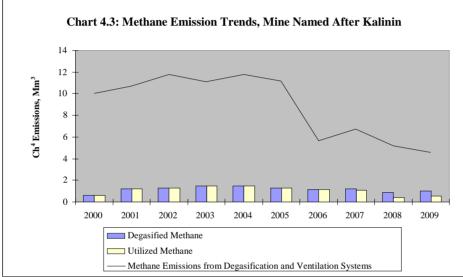
Table 4.4. Coal Production, Methane Emission and Degasification, Mine Named After Kalinin

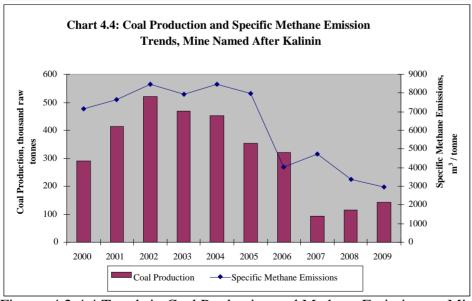
| Year | Methane Liberated by Mining, million m ³ /year | | Methane Utilized, | Methane Content in Captured | Specific Methane | Coal Production, | |
|------|--|----------------|----------------------|---|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Tear | Ventilation | Degasification | Total emission | million m ³ /year Gas, percent | | Emissions, m ³ /tonne | thousand tonnes/year |
| 2000 | 9.4 | 0.6 | 10 | 0.6 | 25 | 7160 | 291.7 |
| 2001 | 9.5 | 1.2 | 10.7 | 1.2 | 26 | 7660 | 414.8 |
| 2002 | 10.5 | 1.3 | 11.8 | 1.3 | 27 | 8448 | 521.9 |
| 2003 | 9.6 | 1.5 | 11.1 | 1.5 | 28 | 7947 | 468.4 |
| 2004 | 10.3 | 1.5 | 11.8 | 1.5 | 30 | 8448 | 453.2 |
| 2005 | 9.9 | 1.25 | 11.15 | 1.25 | 32 | 7983 | 352.5 |
| 2006 | 4.5 | 1.15 | 5.65 | 1.15 | 36 | 4045 | 319.5 |
| 2007 | 5.5 | 1.2 | 6.7 | 1.1 | 28 | 4725 | 93.4 |
| 2008 | 4.3 | 0.9 | 5.2 | 0.43 | 25 | 3387 | 114.5 |
| 2009 | 3.6 | 0.99 | 4.59 | 0.54 | 25 | 2964 | 141.2 |

Table 4.5. Degasification Parameters, Mine Named After Kalinin

| # | Indicator | Parameter |
|-----|---|-----------|
| ,,, | | |
| 1 | Number of Pumping Stations | 1 |
| 2 | Number of Pumps, 150 m ³ /min Capacity | 0 |
| 3 | Number of Pumps, 50 m ³ /min Capacity | 2 |
| 4 | Number of Longwalls Degassed | 1 |
| | Average Degasification Statistics | |
| | Methane–air Mixture Consumed, m ³ /min | 8.0 |
| | Methane Content, percent | 25.0 |
| 5 | Methane Capture Rate, m ³ /min | 2.0 |
| | Methane Utilization Rate by Season, m ³ /min | |
| | Winter | 2.0 |
| | Summer | 0.2 |
| 6 | Length of Pipeline, m | 13,700 |







Figures 4.2-4.4 Trends in Coal Production and Methane Emissions at Mine Named After Kalinin.