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EXPLANATION

OVERBURDEN ISOPACHS--Showing thickness of overburden in feet from surface to top of coal bed. Isopach interval 200 feet.

MINING RATIO CONTOUR--Number indicates cubic yards of overburden per ton of recoverable coal by surface mining methods. Contours shown only within the stripping limit.

STRIPPING-LIMIT LINE--Boundary for surface mining of the coal bed (in this quadrangle, the 200-foot-overburden isopach). Arrows point toward the area suitable for surface mining.

BOUNDARY OF RESERVE BASE COAL--Drawn along the 5-foot (1.5 m) coal isopach. Arrows point toward Reserve Base coal.

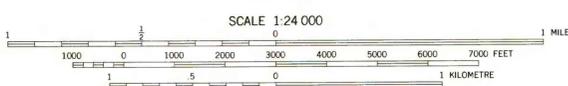
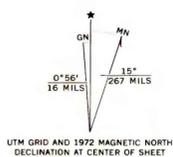
FAULT--U, upthrown side; D, downthrown side.

DRILL HOLE--Showing thickness in feet of overburden from surface to top of coal bed.

To convert feet to meters, multiply by 0.3. To convert cubic yards of overburden per short ton of recoverable coal to cubic meters of overburden per metric ton of recoverable coal, multiply by 0.84.

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OVERBURDEN ISOPACH AND MINING-RATIO MAP OF DIETZ COAL BED