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RE: LCB File No. R086-21
Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
RE: Revisions to Reclamation Permitting Fees,
Standards, and Processes

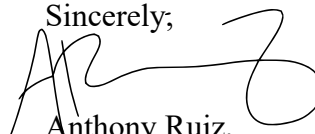
Dear Ms. Erdoes:

This letter is to advise you that the Mining Oversight and Accountability Commission ("MOAC") met on February 15, 2022, to consider a regulation adopted by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. The MOAC was created pursuant to SB 493 (2011). Among its duties, the MOAC is charged with conducting a review of regulations governing the mining industry and reporting its findings and recommendations regarding the regulation to the Legislative Counsel for submission to the Legislative Commission. (NRS 514A.110).

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection ("NDEP") proposes to amend Chapter 519A of the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") to revising provisions related to the surety that is required for an exploration or mining operation, revising certain fees relating to exploration or mining operations as well as updates to stormwater controls and standardized earth covering and final slope as well as other standards and processes administered by NDEP. A presentation was given to the MOAC by the NDEP on the need of this regulation to provide standardization and clarity in the process as well as updating the annual services fees that were last updated in 1990 and 2002. There was public comment opportunity at the beginning and at the end of the meeting of the MOAC on February 15, 2022. Public comment was received but there was no comment from industry or public regarding this specific regulation.

After hearing testimony on the regulations on February 15, 2022, the Mining Oversight and Accountability Commission recommended approval by unanimous vote (4-0) of LCB File No. R086-21, dated January 24, 2022.

Sincerely;


Anthony Ruiz,
Chairman