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Friday 24 January 2014

To:

Peter Hays, E.P.S.

Colorado Office of Mined Land Reclamation Division of Reclamation Mining & Safety

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From:

Garrett C. Varra, Vice-President of Operations

Varra Companies, Inc. gvarra@varracompanies.com

Subject:

Professional evaluation and determinations regarding the Herb Acord

M-2009-018

domestic well.

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DIVISION OF RECLAMATION MINING AND SAFETY

Enclosed is correspondence from AWES, LLC regarding Herb Acord's domestic well, located in the Northwest Quarter, Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Weld County, Colorado. Subsequent to your review, please feel free to contact me directly if you need clarification, or should you have additional concerns. Thank-you.



December 9, 2013

Varra Companies 8120 Gage Street Frederick, Colorado 80516 Attn: Mr. Garrett Varra

RE:

Well Inspection Record Acord Domestic Well Weld County, Colorado AWES No. 1-1-107

Dear Mr. Varra:

At the request of Varra Companies, Inc. (Varra) I inspected the domestic well currently owned by Mr. Herb Acord of Weld County, Colorado. The purpose of the inspection was to document the construction details of the well and assess the claim that current mine dewatering has induced drawdown to a point where the well has limited ability to lift. The well is located approximately 1500 feet west of the northern extent of the Varra Heintzelman gravel quarry mine (DRMS Permit # M-209-018). The well inspection was conducted on November 21, 2013. Personnel present during the inspection were Mr. Brad Janes, Mr. Garrett Varra, me and Mr. Herb Acord. The site location is depicted on Figure 1. The location of the well with respect to Varra mining operations is depicted on Plate 1. Pictures of the Acord Well and Last Chance Ditch are present in Attachment A.

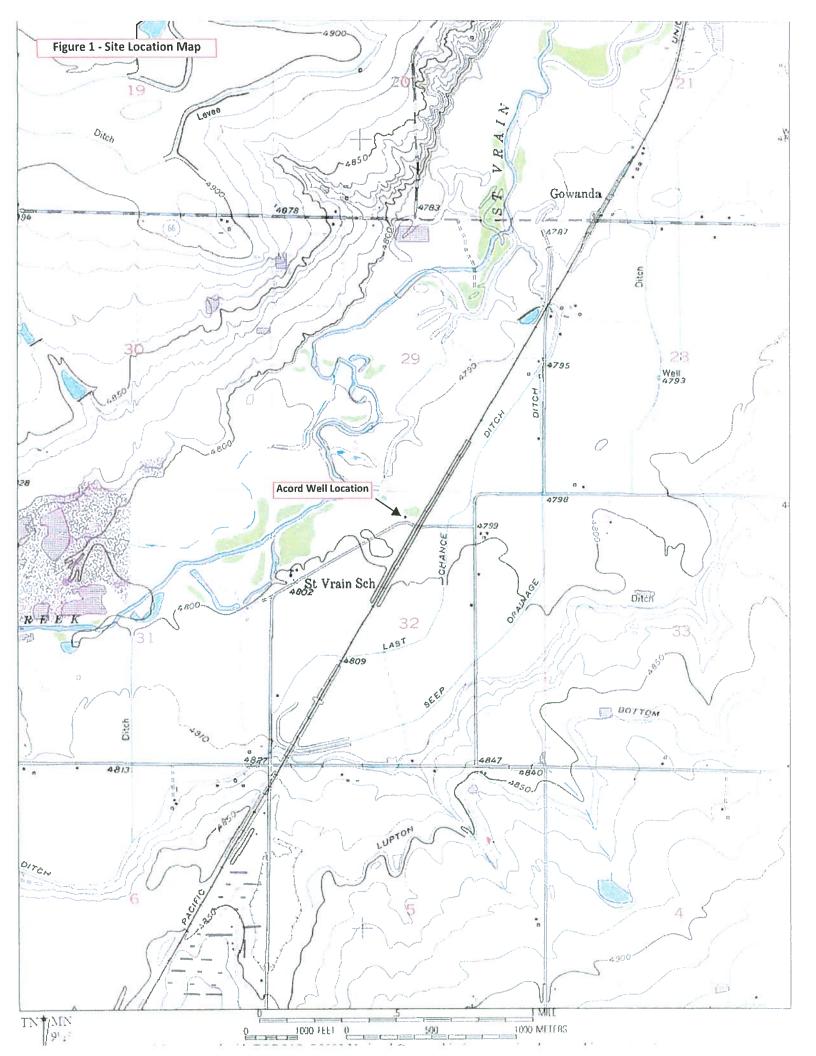
Based on my inspection it is my opinion that dewatering associated with the Varra Heintzelman mine has not adversely impacted the Acord well. The rational for this opinion is provided below.

The construction details of the well of interest are as follows:

- 1. Six-inch diameter, steel casing with expanding well seal;
- 2. Top of well casing approximately 5.58 feet below grade located within a rectangular concrete vault;
- 3. Depth to water measured at 5.0 feet below top of casing (TOC);
- 4. Depth to well bottom measured at 6.7 feet below TOC; and
- 5. Pump type submersible.

At the time of the well inspection Mr. Acord indicated that the well was cycling and could not provide an adequate volume of water for continuous household needs. Mr. Acord indicated that the

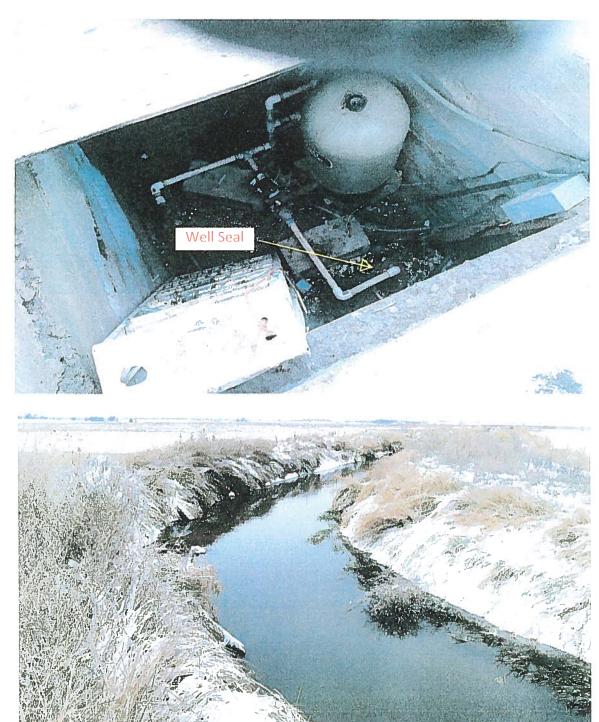






## ATTACHMENT A SITE PHOTOGRAPHS

## View of Well



View of Last Chance Ditch Looking SW

## ATTACHMENT B

ACORD WELL RECORD

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Well Constructed Last Refresh: 11/21/2013 12 00:53 AM Help 9063797 Division: Receipt: Permit #: 35646- -Water District: WELD Well Name / #: County: Designated Basin: Management District: Case Number: WDID: [ - ] Applicant/Owners History Applicant/Owner Name Address City/State/Zip Date Range Unknown - Present ACORD GILBERT RED 4 BOX 131 FONGMONT, CO 80501 [ - ] Location Information Approved Well Location: Q40 Q160 Section Township Range PM Footage from Section Lines NW 32 3.0N 67.0W Sixth ME Easting (UTM x): \_507519.7 Northing (UTM y): 4448608.0 Location Accuracy: Spotted from quarters Physical Address Subdivision Name City/State/Zip Filing Block Lot Acres in Tract: Parcel ID: [ | ] Permit Details Date Expires: Date Issued: Aquifer(s): ALL UNNAMED AQUIFERS Use(s): DOMESTIC Special Use: Area which may be irrigated: Maximum annual volume of appropriation: 1 Statute: **Totalizing Flow Meter** Abandonment Report Geophysical Log Permit Requirements: No Description Receipt Cross Reference Permit Number Permit(s): Comments: [-] Construction/Usage Details **Pump Installation Date:** Well Construction Date: 1st Beneficial Use: 11/02/1968 Well Plugged: Elevation Depth Perforated Casing (Top) Perforated Casing (Bottom) Static Water Level Pump Rate õ 15 21 [ · ] Application/Permit History First Beneficial Use 11/02/1968 [-] Imaged Documents

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