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DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY

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Paul L. Glader Corporate Environmental Director MWCA, Inc. 6500 Mineral Drive, Suite 200 Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815-9408

RE: Filing Deficiencies for an Acreage Reduction Request (AR-01),
Mesita Hill Pit, Permit No. M-1977-227

Dear Mr. Glader:

On March 17, 2014, the Division received your correspondence, dated March 10, 2014, addressing a request for release of acreage associated with a communications tower. The Division has identified the following deficiencies with the release request, which must be satisfied prior to the Division considering the request complete for the purposes of filing and commence the decision making review period.

- 1. Please clarify the acreage addressed by the release request. The footprint of the cell tower is represented as being 2,500 square feet, or approximately 0.06 acres. However, the release request also discusses the access road to the cell tower, which raises the area to be released to 3,420 square feet, or approximately 0.08 acres. Please clarify whether the portion of the access road (46 feet long and 20 feet wide), also referenced in the release request is intended to be released with the cell tower area.
- 2. Pursuant to Rule 4.17.1(2), please provide the names, addresses and phone numbers of all owners of record to the portions of the affected lands addressed under this request.

As noted above, the decision making review period will not commence until the Division determines the release request to be properly filed.

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