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August 29, 2014

Custer County Conservation District P. O. Box 389 Westcliffe, CO 81252

## Re: Edward M. Yaklich, Shangri La Pit, Permit M-1989-024 Request for final release of reclamation permit, DRMS File SL-01 Objection from Custer County Conservation District, received August 21, 2014

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS) has reviewed the above-referenced objection. The objection was timely-filed. The objection applies to a request for final release of a reclamation permit for a site where mining activities have not occurred. DRMS is required to process the release request in accordance with C.R.S. 34-32.5-117(5)(b) which says:

If the board or office finds that an operator has successfully complied with any or all requirements of this article, it shall release all performance and financial warranties applicable to such requirements. Releases shall be in writing and delivered promptly to the owner or operator after the date of such finding.

Based on inspection of the site, review of the permit file, and the information contained in your objection, DRMS has found the operator has successfully complied with all requirements of Title 34, Article 32.5 of the Colorado Revised Statutes. Accordingly, DRMS approved the release on August 26, 2014. As stated in our release request notice of August 8, 2014, we will wait 30 days until after the release decision before finalizing the release in order to allow for appeals. The process for appealing the decision is described in Construction Materials Rule 4.19 which can be accessed on the DRMS website at:

http://mining.state.co.us/SiteCollectionDocuments/Revised-ConstrMatadoptedAug92006indexed.pdf

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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