

COLORADO Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, Colorado 80203

November 7, 2016

Marcy Brossman Cheyenne County P.O. Box 567 Cheyenne Wells, CO 80810

RE: Request Approved; Munsch Pit; Permit No. M-2000-018

Dear Ms. Brossman,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your request to be allowed to begin repairing portions of the affected lands that have been damaged from erosion at the Munsch Pit (Permit No. M-2000-018). The Division understands these repair activities will involve the re-establishment of the creek bank and back filling the head cut in the creek channel near the southeast corner of the site.

The Operator and permit is under a Cease and Desist Order from the Mined Land Reclamation Board regarding Violation No. MV-2016-052. The Order states that the Operator shall CEASE AND DESIST any further mining related activity, with the exception of any activity approved in writing by the Division necessary to comply with the conditions of a Board Order, prevent damage to off-site areas or to protect public health and safety, until corrective actions have been resolved to the satisfaction of the Division and the Board.

The Operator has yet to resolve the corrective actions associated with Violation No. MV-2016-052. However, the activities you have requested will prevent further off-site damage and could protect public health and safety. The Division herby approves your request to repair the affected lands near the southeast corner of the site.

If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact me at Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO 80203, by telephone at **303-866-3567 x8132**, or by email at <u>elliott.russell@state.co.us</u>.

Sincerely,

Elliott R. Russell Environmental Protection Specialist



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