

COLORADO Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

February 13, 2017

Maurice Lynch Running Sun Advisory Services LLC 1600 North Oak Street #1225 Arlington, VA 22209

Re: Oyama Tunnel Exploration Project, Notice of Intent to Conduct Prospecting Operations, NOI No. P-2011-032, Need for Modification

Mr. Lynch,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has recently conducted a review of the Notice of Intent to Conduct Prospecting Operations (NOI) listed above. Records kept by the Division indicate that Prospecting Operations were approved to commence on May 15, 2012 and be completed by November 15, 2014. Annual Reports indicate that none of the activities have been initiated or completed as approved.

There is a discrepancy between the approved Notice commencement and completion dates and the prolonged lack of initiation of said activities on site. Therefore, the Division has determined that a NOI Modification is required. The Modification must update the estimated dates of Commencement and Completion of proposed activities. The modification must be submitted in compliance with Rule 5.1.1 (3) of the Hard Rock and Metals Mining Rules. Please submit the NOI Modification with its associated fee of \$86.00 within **60 days** of the date of this letter. The modification should be received no later than **Friday April 14, 2017**.

Alternatively, if prospecting operations are not scheduled to commence within the 2017 mining season, the Operator should consider withdrawal and termination the NOI. You could then reapply for a new NOI with this Office when the activities become imminent. Withdrawing the NOI would result in savings on the annual fees and the release of the associated Financial Warranty. If the Operator chooses to withdraw the NOI, please submit a letter of withdrawal and request for the release of the associated Financial Warranty within **60 days** of the date of this letter, no later than **Friday April 14, 2017**.

The Division will conduct its routine monitoring inspection and review of the Financial Warranty as soon as the weather allows access to the site. Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments or concerns at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office, by phone at (970)-243-6368 or by email at lucas.west@state.co.us.



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Sincerely,

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