



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

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, CO 80203

May 26, 2017

Ben Langenfeld  
Greg Lewicki and Associates  
3375 W. Powers Circle  
Littleton, CO 80123

RE: Fairplay Au Pit; DRMS File No. M-1991-037; Preliminary Adequacy Review (TR05)

Dear Mr. Langenfeld,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received Technical Revision No.5 for the above referenced operation on May 23, 2017. The decision date for this Technical Revision is June 22, 2017. The Division has reviewed the Technical Revision Application and has the following comments:

1. Please specify what type of liner will be installed into the newly excavated water handling pond. In addition, provide a brief description of how the liner will be installed, including welding of the seams.
2. Please clarify if the Operator will clean sediment from the pond or if the pond will be allowed to fill with sediment until the holding capacity is no longer sufficient to utilize the pond.
3. Please provide a map showing the location of the water holding pond which will be lined.
4. Describe how the liner will be removed at the end of the life of the mine.

This concludes the Division's adequacy review of this Technical Revision. Please remember that the decision date for this Technical Revision is June 22, 2017. If you are unable to provide satisfactory responses to any inadequacies prior to this date, it will be your responsibility to request an extension of time to allow for continued review of this Technical Revision. If there are still unresolved issues when the decision date arrives and no extension has been requested, the Technical Revision will be denied.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (303)866-3567 x8116.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Cunningham  
Environmental Protection Specialist

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Lance Baller, High Speed Mining, LLC

