



**COLORADO**

**Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
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September 28, 2017

Leroy Garcia  
R E Monks Construction Co.  
P.O. Box 25579  
Colorado Springs, CO 80936

**Re: R E Monks Construction Co., Mitchell Mine No 1, Permit No. M-1986-025;  
Temporary Cessation Request**

Dear Mr. Garcia:

On September 27, 2017 the Division approved your request for Temporary Cessation status for the Mitchell Mine No 1.

Please be aware that Section 1.13.5(1)(a) of the Construction Materials Rules and Regulations and the Hard Rock/Metal Mining Rules and Regulations state that *"Initial period shall be the first five years of Temporary Cessation beginning with the 180 day period of production cessation."*

Rules 1.13.8 and 1.13.9 state that:

**1.13.8 A permit granted pursuant to Rules shall continue in effect as long as:**

- (a) *the mining operation is resumed within five (5) years of the beginning of Temporary Cessation; or*
- (b) *the Operator files a report requesting an extension of the period of Temporary Cessation with the Board stating the reasons for the continuation of those factors necessary to, and the plans for, resumption.*

**1.13.9 Ten Year Limitation for Temporary Cessation**

*In no case shall Temporary Cessation be continued for more than ten (10) years without terminating the mining operation and fully complying with the Reclamation and Environmental Protection Plan requirements of the Act and these Rules.*

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (303)866-3567 x8169.

Sincerely,

Timothy A. Cazier, P.E.  
Environmental Protection Specialist

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