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Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety
Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

December 28, 2016

Patrick Maher
Venture Resources Inc.
P.O. Box 1974
Idaho Springs, CO 80452

RE: Hukill Gulch Millsite; DRMS File No. M-2009-076; Technical Revision No. 4 –
Adequacy Review No. 1

Dear Mr. Maher,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received Technical Revision No. 4 for the above referenced site on December 7, 2016. The decision date for this Technical Revision is January 6, 2017. The Division has reviewed the Technical Revision Application and has the following comments:

1. Please provide a map which depicts the locations of the following:
 - a. The staging and stockpile area for the non-authorized waste rock.
 - b. The stockpile area for man-made materials and debris.
 - c. The temporary storage area for the residual liquids.
2. Please specify where the material to construct the berm around the staging and stockpile area will come from. In addition, describe how the berm will be compacted to ensure a stable configuration for the management of stormwater.
3. Please specify where the onsite materials used to construct the lower-level working platform will come from and provide approximate volumes of the required material. If the material used to construct the lower-level working platform will be imported to the site, then the Operator will need to provide the Division with an affidavit certifying the material is clean and inert as required by Rule 3.1.5(9). Finally, please specify how this material will be used once the lower-level working platform is removed.
4. The Operator has committed to sampling the residual liquids which will be pumped from the tailings storage facility. Please commit to providing the analytical results to the Division prior to final disposition of the residual liquids.



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5. The Operator has specified the removal of potential toxic or acid-forming materials from within the tailings storage facility will occur within 90 days from the approval of Technical Revision No. 4. Please clarify if the proposed timeline has taken into account potential delays due to unfavorable weather conditions.

This concludes the Division's preliminary adequacy review of this Technical Revision. Please remember that the decision date for this Technical Revision is January 6, 2017. As previously mentioned, 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M.A. Cunningham".

Michael A. Cunningham
Environmental Protection Specialist

CC: Wally Erickson, DRMS