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**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

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Re: Eagle-Gypsum Mine, Permit M-1984-041 Preliminary Adequacy Review, Technical Revision TR-10

Jared Rhea:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS) has reviewed the application for a technical revision to the above referenced 112c permit. The technical revision proposes to recover an additional 100 vertical feet of gypsum in the west pit and backfill the original high wall to a grade no steeper than 3H:1V. A review of the application has revealed a few clarifications required to process the technical revision:

- 1) Please provide a larger sized conceptual design drawings. The figures provided are too small and are not legible. The drawings must be signed and dated by the qualified map maker.
- 2) Please provide an updated reclamation cost estimate that accounts for the changes in reclamation liability. Be sure to include what type of equipment is proposed to be used to complete the reclamation as well as the amount of increased surface disturbance that must be revegetated.

The technical revision cannot be approved until the issues are adequately addressed. Please submit a response to the issues as soon as possible but no later than November 3, 2017, so the decision date of November 9, 2017 can be met. If your response, or a written request for an extension of the decision date, is not received by November 3, 2017 the request for the revision may be denied.

If you need additional information, please contact me at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 S. 3rd St., Suite 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, telephone no. 970.241.2042.

Sincerely,

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