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February 23, 2018

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RE: Bates-Hunter Mine; DRMS File No. M-1990-041; Change of Contact Request

Dear Mr. Hayes and Mr. Collins,

It has come to the Division's attention that Mr. George Otten passed away on January 27, 2018. The Division was saddened to learn of Mr. Otten's passing and offers its condolences to Mr. Otten's family. In light of this news, the permit file for the Bates-Hunter Mine, File No. M-1990-041, must be updated. Mr. Otten was the primary contact and authorized representative for Central City Consolidated Mining Co., the Permittee for the Bates-Hunter Mine. It is the Division's understanding that Central City Consolidated Mining Co. remains in good standing with the Colorado Secretary of State and is a viable corporation, if that is not the case please provide all relevant information to the Division regarding the dissolution of the company.

Pursuant to Rule 1.16, the Division requests that Central City Consolidated Mining Co. provide updated Permittee contact information for the Bates-Hunter Mine. Mr. Otten provided authorization to Mr. Collins to act as an additional Division contact for permitting and compliance matters, but Mr. Collins's role remains as an additional contact and, therefore, is not a legal Permittee. The updated Permittee contact information must be submitted by a corporate officer of Central City Consolidated Mining Co. If Mr. Otten was the sole corporate officer for Central City Consolidated Mining Co., then the updated contact information must be provided by the executor of Mr. Otten's estate. Please note that since Mr. Otten was the sole authorized representative for the Bates-Hunter Mine, the Division may not be able to process any permit revisions submitted by a third party until such time as a new authorized representative has been designated.



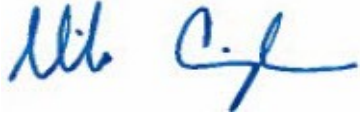
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If you have any questions, please contact me at (303)866-3567 x8116.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike C.", is positioned above the printed name.

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Environmental Protection Specialist

CC: Wally Erickson, DRMS
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