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March 16, 2018

Ms. Virginia Brannon  
Division Director  
Colorado Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety  
Office of Mined Land Reclamation  
1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, Colorado 80203

**RE: Reason to Believe a Violation Exists and Notice of Board Hearing  
Cresson Project, Permit No. M-1980-244**

Dear Ms. Brannon,

As requested in the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (the Division) March 15, 2018 Inspection Report and the Division's Reason to Believe a Violation Exists and Notice of Board Hearing (RTB) of the same date, Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company (CC&V) hereby submits written confirmation of temporary, voluntary and limited cessation of the leaching activities and the commencement of daily leak detection system inspections, as described in the Inspection Report. Although the requested actions are not required by rule or order, CC&V takes these actions voluntarily in the spirit of cooperation with the Division.

Please be advised that CC&V disagrees with the assertions and alleged potential violations identified in the Inspection Report and RTB. CC&V does not believe any statutory, regulatory or permit violations have occurred. CC&V reserves all rights and defenses with respect to the Inspection Report and RTB.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either myself at 1-719-689-4059 or [Mike.Schaffner@Newmont.com](mailto:Mike.Schaffner@Newmont.com) or Meg Burt at 719-689-4055 or [Margaret.Burt@Newmont.com](mailto:Margaret.Burt@Newmont.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "MS", is placed above the typed name.

Mike Schaffner  
General Manager  
Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company