



Teller County Community Development Services

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SUBJECT: Planning Review: Re. No Impact Technical Revision (Appendix A - 8.B) of Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining (CCV) Permit No. M-1980-244; Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company; Cresson Project; - TR# 103 – VLF2 Ore Stacking Guidelines

Dear Ms. Burt:

The Teller County Planning Department has completed its review of the Newmont Mining Corporation's (CC&V) Technical Revision TR # 103 'VLF2 Ore Stacking Guidelines'.

1. Teller County understands that TR#103 outlines the procedures and placement of ore in the Squaw Gulch Valley Leach Field Facility (VLF2).
2. It is also understood that the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS) has directed TR # 103 as corrective action for a possible violation discovered during a site-wide inspection in February 2018. This corrective action was outlined on April 12, 2018 as part of a DRMS 'Consent Agenda' and states that Newmont is to, *"File a Technical Revision to clarify the operation procedures whereby ore is placed in the Squaw Gulch Valley Leach Facility"*.
3. In order to meet the intent of the DRMS, Teller County understands that a 3rd Party engineering firm, Newfields Engineering, has been contracted by Newmont to provide recommendations regarding the ore stacking requirements for the VLF2.
4. Teller County has read the recommendations attached to this request at Attachment 1. Teller County recognizes that State and Federal agencies have programs in place to permit, inspect, and **enforce** requirements at mining operations to assure protection of the environmental resources associated with such mining operations. This enforcement action is being directed by the DRMS and Teller County understands that as written any required clarification will be provided to the DRMS, and as stated, "to Teller County in a timely manner".

Teller County has no objections to TR-103 as written and appreciates the opportunity to comment subject to the **following conditions**:

- a) Please inform us if any DRMS required clarifications are required or if the procedures and guidelines contained in Attachment one to your request are approved to be implemented as written.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (719) 686-5414 or email williamsd@co.teller.co.us.

Respectfully,



Dan Williams
The Teller County Planning Official

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