

COLORADO Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

May 24, 2018

Mr. Mike Schaffner Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company P.O. Box 191 Victor, CO 80860

Re: Project, Permit No. M-1980-244; Technical Revision (TR-103) Preliminary Adequacy Review

Dear Mr. Schaffner:

On May 7, 2018 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received a request for a Technical Revision (TR-103) addressing the following:

VLF2 Ore Stacking Guidelines

The submittal was called complete for the purpose of filing on May 7, 2018. The decision date for **TR-103 is June 6, 2018**. Please be advised that if you are unable to satisfactorily address any concerns identified in this review before the decision date, it will be your responsibility to request an extension of the review period. If there are outstanding issues that have not been adequately addressed prior to the end of the review period, and no extension has been requested, the Division may deny this Technical Revision (TR).

The following comments are based on the Division's review of the request for TR-103:

- 1) <u>Overall slopes</u>: The third bullet on page 3 addresses bench widths and ore slopes specifically for the 100 foot lift thickness. However the first bullet on p. 3 limits the lift thickness to 50 feet for ROM with a D_{100} greater than three inches. Please address the four conditions under the third bullet for these 50-foot lifts.
- 2) <u>Lift transitions</u>: Based on review of the TR submittal and discussions with CC&V personnel on site on May 23, 2018, there is an omission in this TR regarding ore stacking during the transition to a new lift. Please provide a plan for the transition to new lifts.
- 3) <u>Material tracking and placement</u>: There appears to be generally four classifications of material to be placed on the VLF: crushed ore, ROM < 3 inches, ROM > 3 inches, and tailings. As there are different criteria for the placement of each of these materials, please describe how the mine tracks these various materials source and placement on the VLF to ensure these criteria are met.

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If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (303)866-3567 x8169.

Sincerely,

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