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SUBJECT: Response to January 31, 2019 CC&V letter for 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-104 Mineralized Waste Processing

Dear Mr. Raglin,

As you are aware the Teller County Planning Department completed its initial review of the Newmont Mining Corporation's (CC&V) Technical Revision TR # 104 on September 28, 2018. As may recall our review indicated the need for additional detail in the Technical Revision proposal so that potential impacts to Teller County could be adequately assessed and compliance with Section 7 and 8 of Appendix A (CCMOD) to the Teller County Land Use Regulations met.

Teller County received your letter dated January 31, 2019 which aims to address the concerns raised in our September 24, 2018 letter.

As a result Teller County now understands that CC&V has developed a schedule and associated tonnage for each of the five areas included in the original request [table and updated map]. It is also understood that all of the facilities intended for use are dynamic as outlined in the proposals subsequently approved in Amendments 9, 10, and 11 to the Mine Development Plan. As presented in the January 31, 2019 letter, "CC&V understands and remains committed to maintaining previously permitted capacities of valley leach facilities (VLF) and overburden storage areas (OSAs) . CC&V also remains committed to the reclamation plan, as approved in Amendment 12.

With regards to our TR # 104 comments related to Sections 7 and 8 of Appendix A of the Cripple Creek Mining Overlay District, as presented Teller County understands that CC&V commits to:

- Monitor noise levels twenty four hours a day so permitted levels are not exceeded. Additionally, CC&V further minimizes noise through turning off back up alarms and operating equipment to minimize noise impacts.
- The selected site will continue to direct and aim lighting away from adjoining property owners.
- Continue to work with neighbors [and Teller County] to minimize any impacts of noise and light should complaints arise.

Teller County also understands that CC&V recently completed a site-wide storm water evaluation in 2018 was a condition of Amendment 11 and approved as TR # 101. This evaluation indicated several areas of potential storm water control improvements which CC&V is now implementing (2019). As outlined in the evaluation, these controls should provide an increase in erosion protection, slope stability, water quality protection and the creation of habitat.

Finally, it is understood that concurrent reclamation is not the same as final reclamation related to the cessation of mining activities under the Cresson Permit M-1980-244. Teller County's intent is not to prevent mining inside of the CCMOD only to insure that the activity proposed is authorized under previous amendments to the MDP and that this TR request does not propose new disturbance to previously undisturbed areas.

CC&V's approved Mining Development Plan and its amendments and DRMS are clear with regards to what comprises final reclamation for the Cresson project. Teller County concurs that success criteria must be met along with bond release approval. Finally, once mining is complete and CC&V facilities closed the land will be reclaimed to conform with the view shed as described in the Cresson Mining Development Plan

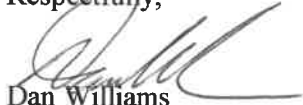
M-1980-244 permit and its amendments.

With the additional information presented in the **January 31, 2019** letter, including Attachment 1, with the updated mineralized waste mining schedule, the listing of mitigation efforts to minimize impacts to Teller County and surrounding communities, and the clarification on final reclamation, **Teller County concurs with TR# 104 subject to the following condition:**

As the actual backfill and mining areas may vary due to changing or economic conditions, prior to any disturbance and actual mining of the mineralized waste areas per the Table 1 attachment proposed schedule to the January 31, 2019 letter, please inform the Teller County Planning Department.

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

Respectfully,



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