

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

March 26, 2019

Mr. Randy McClure Rio Grande Silver, Inc. P.O. Box 610 Creede, CO 81130

Re: Bulldog Mine Operation, Permit No. M-1977-215, Notice of Completeness for 2<sup>nd</sup> Consecutive Notice of Temporary Cessation, TC-03

Dear Mr. McClure,

On March 15, 2019 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your Notice of Temporary Cessation dated March 11, 2019.

As of today March 26, 2019 the request is considered complete. Per the requirements of Rule 1.13.5(4) the Division shall conduct an inspection of the site to verify compliance with the Act and Mineral Rules and Regulations. Due to the current significant snowpack at the mine site the Division is unable to inspect the operation within the normal 30 day review period. Per the allowance of Rule 1.4.1(7) the Division has made a decision to extend the required Mined Land Reclamation Board Hearing date sixty (60) days.

The Division will place the Notice of Temporary Cessation on the regular agenda for the June 26-27, 2019 meeting of the Mined Land Reclamation Board. During that meeting the Board will consider whether or not to accept the Notice. Please plan on attending the June 26-27, 2019 Mined Land Reclamation Board Hearing. The meeting will be held in Room 318 of 1313 Sherman Street, Denver, Colorado, beginning at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be considered.

If you need additional information, please contact me at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 S. 3rd St., Suite 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, telephone no. 970.241.2042.

Sincerely,

Travis Marshall

**Environmental Protection Specialist** 



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cc: Mr. Patrick J. Moran

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