



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

December 16, 2019

Mike Bynum
Colorado Milling Company, LLC
50 West 100 South Street
Moab, UT 80342

Re: Gold Hill Mill, Permit No. M-1994-117, Failure to Comply with Approved Water Monitoring Plan (Quarterly Reporting)

Mr. Bynum:

The approved water monitoring plan for Gold Hill Mill (last revised through Technical Revision No. 9, approved on October 30, 2013) requires the operator to sample from four site monitoring wells (MW1-MW4) on a quarterly basis for Manganese, Zinc, Sulfate, pH, Temperature, Conductivity, and Total Dissolved Solids, and to report this data to the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) on a quarterly basis.

According to our records, the last water monitoring report was submitted to our office on September 30, 2016. No monitoring reports could be found for 2017 through 2019. This means a total of 12 quarterly monitoring reports have not been submitted to the Division as required by the approved permit.

This failure to comply with the approved water monitoring plan for Gold Hill Mill is a problem pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32-124 for failure to comply with the conditions of a permit.

Please submit the past due quarterly monitoring reports for Gold Hill Mill by **January 15, 2020**. If the Division does not receive the requested information by the deadline provided, this problem may be escalated to a possible violation and the matter scheduled for a hearing before the Mined Land Reclamation Board.

If you have any questions, you may contact me by telephone at 303-866-3567, ext. 8129, or by email at amy.eschberger@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

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