April 3, 2020

Garthe Cooke P.O. Box 95 Warne, NC 28909



1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

RE: Maple Leaf Mine, File # P-2016-001, NOI Modification Application (MD-01) Adequacy Review

Mr. Cooke:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) is in the process of reviewing the above referenced application in order to ensure that it adequately satisfies the requirements of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act (Act) and the associated Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for Hard Rock, Metal, and Designated Mining Operations (Rules). During review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following issue(s) of concern shall be adequately addressed before the application can be considered for approval.

- 1. Due to the copy quality of the map submitted with your application, features of the map are illegible or difficult to read. Pursuant to Rule 5.1.2 (d)(v), please submit an accurate topographic base map that shows the location of the proposed drill holes, drill pads and any other proposed surface disturbance.
- 2. Please provide latitude and longitude coordinates for each proposed drill hole location.
- 3. The application states that the depth of drill holes will be greater than 500 feet. Please state the anticipated maximum depth for each drill hole.
- 4. Please state whether any of the proposed drill holes are expected to penetrate into an aquifer. If so, please describe measures to be taken to seal the hole(s) pursuant to Rule 5.4.2 (2).
- 5. Please provide the reclamation seed mixture to be used in the re-establishment of vegetation on the disturbed areas that is recommended by the local NRCS. Please include a seeding rate in PLS/acre.
- 6. Pursuant to Rule 5.1.2 (vi), please provide documentation of your legal right to enter the land to conduct prospecting and reclamation. This may include a copy of a lease, deed, abstract of title, a current tax receipt, or a signed statement by the landowner and acknowledged by a Notary Public stating that Garthe Cooke has legal right to enter to conduct prospecting and reclamation.



7. Pursuant to Rule 5.1.2 (m), please certify that notice of the MD-01 application was sent to the Gunnison Board of County Commissioners.

Please submit your response(s) to the above listed issue(s) by Friday, April 17, 2020.

The Division will continue to review your application and will contact you if additional information is needed.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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<u>Cc:</u>

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