

April 16, 2020

Eli Doose Atlas Mining & Reclamation, LLC 19911 Highway 550 Montrose, CO 81403

RE: Von Doose Mine, File No. M-2019-031, Limited Impact 110(1) Hard Rock Reclamation Permit Request for Final Clarifications

Dear Mr. Doose:

On March 23, 2020 The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your response to the Application Adequacy Review dated July 16, 2020. The Division is in the process of reviewing the response 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 of concern shall be adequately addressed before the application can be considered for approval.

## 1. 6.3.3 Exhibit C- Mining Plan:

a. The Mining plan provides a detailed explanation on the prevention of possible Acid Mine Drainage including the inclusion of the preliminary Acid Base Accounting (ABA) and SPLP results of materials within the mine area that have been tested. The applicant has also committed to conducting follow up ABA and SPLP testing at every 300 feet of underground advancement. The application however does not discuss how the ore material that is to be extracted and or the bulk sample material that is to be extracted will be handled to prevent possible Acid Rock Drainage. Please provide a narrative detailing how the ore or bulk sample material will be handled and or otherwise contained to prevent the creation of Acid Rock Drainage.

## 2. 6.3.6 Exhibit F – Other Permits and Licenses Required

a. Exhibit F outlines that the other permits and licenses that will be required to conduct mining operations will be a General Construction Stormwater Permit from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) and all required permits needed to conduct in house blasting operations. Please commit that upon receipt of all required permits, copies will be submitted to the Division.

Please submit your response(s) to the above listed issue(s) by Thursday, April 30, 2020 in order to allow the Division sufficient time for review. Please note that the Decision Date for the application is set for May 12, 2020. Should you need more time to adequately address the above listed items please request an extension to the Decision Date, in writing prior to the current decision date. 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 at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office, by phone at 303-866-3567 Extension 8187 or by email at lucas.west@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

**Lucas West** 

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