

January 11, 2021

Julio Madrid Battle Mountain Resources, Inc. P.O. Box 310 San Luis, CO 81152-0310

RE: San Luis Project - File No. M-1988-112, Acreage Release Request Application (AR-5)

Dear Mr. Madrid:

On January 6, 2021, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety received your 112d-3 Hard Rock Reclamation Permit Acreage Release Request application for the San Luis Project, which is located in Costilla County. Preliminary review of the information received determined the Acreage Release Request is incomplete and additional information must be received before the Division can consider your application complete and technical review can begin. The item(s) to be addressed are:

- Incorrect Map and associated Narrative. Select Areas in Release Area C are to remain in the permit area and excluded from the Acreage Reduction Request.

You have sixty (60) days from January 6, 2021 to submit all necessary documents that the Division needs for the application to be considered filed. If, at the end of the sixty day period, the application has not been determined to be complete and filed, the Division may deny the application. This letter shall not be construed to mean that there are no other technical deficiencies in your application. The Division will review your application to determine whether it is adequate to meet the requirements of the Act after submittal of all required items.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office, by phone at 303-866-3567 ext. 8187 or by email at lucas.west@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Lucas J. West Environmental Protection Specialist Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

- CC: Travis Marshall, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist
- EC: Julio Madrid, Battle Mountain Resources, Inc. Karen DeAguero, Newmont Goldcorp Melissa Chalona, Engineering Analytics

