

To: Colorado

Division of Reclamation,

Mining and Safety

## ATTENTION RE: Eric Scott

RE: Request for full or partial release of permit area/ surety reduction related to permit No. M1997-058 Baseline Pit.

Dear Mr. Scott,

This is written to clarify Hall-Irwin Corporations' position regarding the request to partially release the surety bond based on current reclamation efforts associated with the Baseline Pit. We inadvertently requested reducing the total acreages of the permit to 57.1 acres.

This letter is to clarify that Hall-Irwin Corporation is not requesting any reduction in the total acreage and understand that the surety will cover the complete acreage as outlined in the original permitted area.

Should you have any further questions regarding the partial reduction request, feel free to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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