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#### Highway 72 Mill Site, M-2020-044, MLRB Packet

Ebert - DNR, Jared <jared.ebert@state.co.us> Fri, Aug 12, 2022 at 2:39 PM To: Paul Danio <paulydanio@gmail.com>, David Emslie <dave@prospectorsgoldandgems.com>

Good afternoon Mr. Danio and Mr. Emslie,

Division staff has amended the MLRB packet to include the attached documents including:

1.) August 30, 2013 - Mined Land Reclamation Board Order for File No. M-1981-184

2.) September 11, 2009 - Mined Land Reclamation Board Order for Venture Resources, Inc.

3.) July 1, 2022 - Jefferson County Sheriff Office Report

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#### 3 attachments

- 8.30.13 Red Arrow Board Order (1).pdf
- JeffersonCountySheriffOffice\_1July2022\_Report.pdf 96K
- 2009-09-11\_VentureResource\_BoardOrder.pdf

# STATE OF COLORADO

#### DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY Department of Natural Resources

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August 30, 2013

Craig Liukko Red Arrow Gold Corporation 623 Grand Avenue Mancos, CO 81328

Red Arrow Gold Corporation P.O. Box 531 Mancos, CO 81328

#### Re: Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order, Red Arrow Gold Corporation File No. M-1981-184, MV-2013-024

On August 30, 2013 the Mined Land Reclamation Board (MLRB) signed the enclosed Board Order for the above captioned operation. We strongly advise that you read this document carefully since it may contain provisions which must be satisfied by specific dates to avoid future Board actions.

Failure to submit payment for the unsuspended portion of the civil penalty, by the date specified in the attached MLRB Order, will result in immediate submittal of those penalties to Central Collection Services for further processing and the addition of collection fees.

Sincerely Sitira Pope

Secretary to the Board Enclosure(s)

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Cc's Kate Pickford Russ Means John Roberts Julie Murphy Mark Reider

# BEFORE THE MINED LAND RECLAMATION BOARD STATE OF COLORADO

Violation No.MV-2013-024

#### FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

#### IN THE MATTER OF A POSSIBLE VIOLATION BY RED ARROW GOLD CORPORATION, CEASE AND DESIST ORDER, CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, AND CIVIL PENALTIES, File No. M-1981-184

THIS MATTER came before the Mined Land Reclamation Board ("Board") on August 14, 2013 in Denver, Colorado for a hearing to consider possible violations by Red Arrow Corporation ("Operator"), cease and desist order, corrective actions and civil penalties for mining without a permit, failing to comply with the conditions of a permit, and other violations, file number M-1981-184. There were no appearances on behalf of the Operator. Assistant Attorney General Julie M. Murphy, Russ Means, and Kate Pickford appeared on behalf of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety ("Division").

The Board, having considered the parties' presentations and having been otherwise fully informed of the facts in the matter, hereby enters the following:

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Operator holds a 110(2) permit for a 9.95-acresilver and gold mine operation located in Section 14, Township 36 North, Range 12 West, 10th Principal Meridian in Montezuma County, Colorado, permit number M-1981-184. The site, located outside of Mancos, Colorado, is known as the Outwest Mine and Mill (Red Arrow Mine).

2. On June 11, 2013, the Division received notice that on April 17, 2013, Jaeger Kottmeier Associates ("Receiver") was appointed receiver of certain assets of the Operator by order of the Montezuma County District Court.

3. On June 13, 2013, the Division completed a file review of the Outwest Mine and Mill (Red Arrow Mine). The site is approved for a mill within the permit boundaries and to use the following processes and chemicals for processing: gravity and flotation, petasol, xanthate, and soda ash.

4. On June 18, 2013, the Division inspected the permitted mine site ("mine site"). Marcie Jaeger, representing the Receiver, attended the inspection. At the mine site, the Division found, among other things:

- a. the Gold Run portal location has a new roof over the tracks leaving the portal;
- b. the roof is not incorporated into the permit and the Operator has not provided adequate financial warranty for the roof;
- c. a drainage crossing by the road leading to the main portal is not included in the permit;
- d. a discharge hose leads from the portal to nearby Gold Run Creek instead of leading to an evaporative pond, as approved in the permit;
- e. the mill building near the River Level Adit is unsecured with portions of the galvanized siding missing;
- f. two 55-gallon drums in the mill building that appeared to be full of used oil and rested directly on bare ground with no secondary containment;
- g. approximately 10 cubic yards of tailing material being stored in the mill building;
- h. the Red Arrow Cross Cut Adit has roof structures that are not identified in the permit; no financial warranty has been posted for the roof structures;
- i. a prospecting area at the site with an apparent drill hole covered by a cap and surrounding oil staining; no drill hole abandonment report has been submitted;
- j. noxious weeds; and
- k. some roads around that require water bars to mitigate erosion.

5. The Receiver notified the Division that possible mercury amalgamation was occurring at a mill site approximately ten miles from the permitted area, located at 1000 West Grand Avenue in Mancos ("mill site"). The Division inspected the mill site on June 18, 2013. The mill site property is owned by William and Teri Sanders. At the mill site, the Division observed one metal building and one cinder block building, a crusher, and multiple stockpiles of finegrain materials on the ground behind the buildings. Much of the stockpiles were uncovered and the Division observed no liner under the stockpiles. In the east building, the Division observed a milling operation that included flotation tanks, a crusher and conveyor system, a retort heater with a pipe venting out the roof of the building, and an amalgamator drum. The Division found droplets of mercury on a

Red Arrow Gold Corporation M-1981-184 MV-2013-024 drain spout of the amalgamator. The Division also observed a stack of five-gallon buckets with a note indicating that the contents are ready for amalgamation, an empty plastic bottle labeled "21.5 lbs Mercury," a bottle labeled "Lead Acetate," and a drum labeled "Hg #3" near the amalgamator. In the west building, the Division observed a crusher, conveyors, sieves, large flotation tanks, and an open trailer. The Division also observed a stockpile of fine-grain material on a concrete pad in front of the west building.

6. The Receiver or its agent informed the Division that tailings from the mine site, the mill site, or both were stored at the Western Excelsior site and Dana Gawthrop's pasture, both located near the mill site. The Division visited the Western Excelsior site and Dana Gawthrop's pasture on or about June 19, 2013. At both sites, the Division found tailings material from the mine site, the mill site, or both, and the Western Excelsior site is located within two hundred feet of the Mancos River.

7. On June 19, 2013, the Division posted a written cease and desist order both on the gate to the mine site and on the main doors of the buildings at the mill site. The Division hand-delivered the cease and desist order to the Receiver and sent the cease and desist order to the Operator by U.S. mail. The cease and desist order prohibits any further mining or milling activity at either site until it is lifted by the Board.

8. Permit number M-1981-184 allows milling within the permit area. However, neither the permit nor its revisions specify an approved processing plans for milling within the permit area.

9. Permit number M-1981-184 allows the use of certain chemicals; the permit does not allow the use of mercury.

10. On June 21, 2013, the Division sent the Receiver and the Operator a Reason to Believe a Violation Exists letter. The Division's letter provided notice regarding the alleged violations and information about the August 14 and 15, 2013 hearing on the matter.

11. The Operator does not possess a reclamation permit for the mill site located at 1000 West Grand Avenue in Mancos.

12. The Division retained Walter Environmental & Engineering Group, Inc. ("Walter") to provide environmental sampling activities at the mine site and the mill site. Walter's environmental sampling activities at the mine site and mill site began on June 25, 2013 and concluded on June 27, 2013. The Division received sampling results and a written report from Walter on August 1, 2013. Among other things, the Walter report found levels of mercury and arsenic exceeding acceptable levels established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

13. On August 6, 2013, the Division received a letter dated August 2, 2013from the Operator, signed by Craig Liukko, President/CEO, in response to the Division's June 21, 2013 Reason to Believe a Violation Exists letter.

14. The Board received a letter from attorney Mark Reider, representing Craig Liukko, Red Arrow Gold Corporation, dated August 8, 2013. Mr. Reider's letter requests that the Board postpone the hearing in this matter thirty to sixty days.

15. On August 8, 2013, the Division, William Sanders, and Teri Sanders entered a stipulated agreement captioned the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety and Sanders Stipulated Agreement to Allow Access for Remediation and Reclamation, dated August 8, 2013.

16. On August 9, 2013, the Division submitted a reply to both the Operator's August 2, 2013 letter and Mr. Reider's August 8, 2013 letter.

17. On August 9, 2013, the Division and the Receiver entered into a Memorandum of Understanding regarding possible sanctions against the Receiver.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

18. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act, Article 32 of Title 34, C.R.S. (2012).

19. Operators are required to minimize disturbances to the prevailing hydrologic balance of the affected land and the surrounding area. C.R.S. § 34-32-116(7)(g) (2012). The Operator failed to gain approval and construct environmental protection facilities for the stockpiling of toxic materials on bare soil at the mill site and exported toxic materials to other sites, including locations within two hundred feet of the Mancos River, in violation of section 34-32-116(7)(h), C.R.S.

20. Operators are required to protect areas outside of the affected land from slides or damage. C.R.S. § 34-32-116(7)(h) (2012). The Operator failed to gain approval for mining and milling activities outside the approved permit boundary and failed to construct environmental protection facilities for the stockpiling of toxic materials, outside the approved permit boundary, in violation of section 34-32-116(7)(h), C.R.S.

21. Under section 34-32-116(7)(i), C.R.S., Operators are required to stabilize and protect affected land, including spoil piles, so as to effectively control

erosion, attendant air, and water pollution. The Operator failed to gain approval for mining and milling activities, failed to stabilize and protect affected land, including spoil piles, from slides or damage, and failed to construct environmental protection facilities for the stockpiling of toxic materials, in violation of section 34-32-116(7)(i), C.R.S.

22. The mill site in Mancos, Colorado is not authorized by reclamation permit number M-1981-184, is not within the boundary for that permit, and is not authorized by any other reclamation permit issued by the Division or the Board. Therefore, the Operator conducted a mining operation without a permit and without amending its Permit number M-1981-184, in violation of sections34-32-109(2) and -123(2), C.R.S.

23. Under section 34-32-124, C.R.S. the Board may issue a cease and desist order where it determines that an operator violated any provision of a permit. As set forth in the findings of fact above, the Operator failed to comply with the conditions of its Permit number M-1981-184.

24. The Operator, without authority, used mercury in the milling of ore, imported toxic materials to the mine site and the mill site, exported toxic materials from the mine site or the mill site or both, and heated mercury for retort with unapproved inadequate ventilation and filtering. As such, the Operator engaged in an activity or activities (*i.e.*, extractive metallurgical processing) not sanctioned by, or which constitutes a material violation of, a permit for a mining operation, where such activity constitutes an immediate, undue, and unwarranted risk of serious harm to persons, property, or the environment, in violation of section 34-32-124.5(1)(a), C.R.S.

25. Pursuant to section 34-32-123(1), C.R.S., the Board may issue a cease and desist order if it determines that an operator failed to obtain a permit before operating. The mill site constitutes a "mining operation" as that term is defined by section 34-32-103(8), C.R.S. The Operator failed to obtain a permit before operating a mining operation.

26. The Board may impose a civil penalty of not less than \$1,000 per day nor more than \$5,000 per day for each day during which a violation occurs. C.R.S. § 34-32-123(2) (2012). The Board may impose a penalty against the Operator based on 57 days of violation at \$1,000 to \$5,000 per day for a civil penalty of \$57,000 to \$285,000.

#### ORDER

The Board APPROVES the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety and Sanders Stipulated Agreement to Allow Access for Remediation and Reclamation, dated August 8, 2013.

Red Arrow Gold Corporation M-1981-184 MV-2013-024 The Board DENIES Craig Liukko and the Operator's August 8, 2013 request to postpone the hearing.

The Operator did not appear in this matter to present any mitigating factors. There is no information before the Board indicating that any action other than the requested action is appropriate. Therefore, based on the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Board hereby enters the following order:

Based on the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Board hereby finds the Operator in violation of:

- 1. section 34-32-109(2) and -123(2), C.R.S. for operating without a permit;
- 2. section 34-32-124, C.R.S. for failing to comply with the conditions of a permit;
- 3. section 34-32-124.5(1)(a), C.R.S. for engaging in an activity not sanctioned by, or which constitutes a material violation of, a permit for a mining operation, where such activities constitutes an immediate, undue, and unwarranted risk of serious harm to persons or property, or the environment;
- 4. section 34-32-116(7)(g), C.R.S. for failing to protect the prevailing hydrologic balance of the affected land and of the surrounding area.
- 5. section 34-32-116(7)(h), C.R.S. for failing to protect areas outside of the affected land from slides or damage;
- 6. section 34-32-116(7)(i), C.R.S. for failing to stabilize and protect spoil piles so as to effectively control erosion, attendant air, and water pollution.

The Board AFFIRMS the June 18, 2013 cease and desist order the Division issued against the Operator. The cease and desist order shall remain effective with regard to both the Outwest Mine and Mill (Red Arrow Mine) and the unpermitted milling operation until the Division or any other governmental agency overseeing reclamation or remediation of contamination caused by the Operator's mining and milling operations determines that remediation or reclamation activities have been completed, except to the extent that the Operator is performing activities required by this order. Prior to removal of the cease and desist order, the Operator shall submit a full report, including quantitative data, to the Board, certified by the Division or other governmental agency, of the completion of remediation and reclamation. The Board imposes the following CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:

- 1. The Operator shall cooperate and not materially interfere with any investigation, reclamation, or remediation of the Operator's mining and milling operations conducted by the Division, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, or any other governmental agency relating to the Outwest Mine and Mill (Red Arrow Mine) and the Operator's unpermitted milling operation.
- 2. The Operator shall, on or before September 12, 2013, pay \$52,167.00 to the Division emergency response cash fund.
- 3. The Operator shall, on or before September 12, 2013, provide a complete inventory of locations at which tailings from the Outwest Mine and Mill (Red Arrow Mine) have been deposited.
- 4. The Operator shall, within thirty (30) days from the effective date of this order, submit an interim financial warranty in the amount of \$73,234.09 (an increase of \$56,451.09) to cover the reclamation liability for the unapproved roof structures and remediation of contaminated tailings and petroleum and mercury contaminated liquids present at the permitted mine site. This financial warranty does not address any reclamation or remediation costs outside the permit area; the Division will determine a revised financial warranty upon full review of the submitted technical revision.
- 5. The Operator shall, within thirty (30) days from the effective date of this order, submit a complete technical revision application and fee to address the following items in permit number M-1981-184 for the Outwest Mine and Mill (Red Arrow Mine):
  - a. Incorporating into the permit the new roof constructed over the tracks leaving the Gold Run portal;
  - b. Incorporating into the permit the metal roof over the Red Arrow Cross Cut Adit and the metal roof used for storage;
  - c. Providing written and photographic documentation of the implementation of the approved weed control plan; and
  - d. Submitting a plan to install water bars on sections of the roadway that are at risk of erosion.

The Board imposes a CIVIL PENALTY for 57 days of violation at \$5,000 per day for a total civil penalty of \$285,000. All but \$100,000 of the civil penalty is suspended if the Operator complies with the corrective action in the time specified. The portion of the civil penalty not suspended, \$100,000, shall be due and payable within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Order. Failure to submit the unsuspended portion of the civil penalty by the date specified above shall result in immediate submittal of such penalties to State collections. Permit number M-1981-184 is subject to forfeiture and the suspended portion of the civil penalties (\$185,000.00) will be due if Red Arrow fails to comply with any one of the corrective actions by the corrective action date.

DONE AND ORDERED this 30 day of August 2013.

FOR THE COLORADO MINED LAND RECLAMATION BOARD

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Thomas E. Brubaker, Chair

#### NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS

This order becomes effective and final upon mailing. Any party adversely affected or aggrieved by agency action may commence an action for judicial review by filing a notice of appeal with the district court within thirty-five (35) days after the effective date of this order, pursuant to section 24-4-106, C.R.S. (2012). In the event that an appeal is filed, designations of record made in accordance with section 24-4-106(6), C.R.S. should be served on the Board at 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO 80203, Attention: Sitira Pope.

Red Arrow Gold Corporation M-1981-184 MV-2012-024

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that I have duly served the within FINDINGS OF FACT,

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER upon all parties herein by depositing copies

of same in the United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, at Denver, Colorado,

this <u>30</u> day of <u>August</u> 2013addressed as follows:

Craig Liukko Red Arrow Gold Corporation 623 Grand Avenue Mancos, CO 81328

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Mark Reider, Esq. Mark Reider Law Office 360 West 1<sup>st</sup>, Suite B Cortez, CO 81321

Marcie Jaeger Jaeger Kottmeier Associates, LLC 1425 Market Street, Suite 225 Denver, CO 80202

William Boyd & Teri A. Sanders P.O. Box 607 Mancos, CO 81328 By inter-office or electronic mail to:

Kate Pickford Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Durango Field Office 691 CR 233, Suite A-2 Durango, CO 81301

Russ Means Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Grand Junction Field Office 101 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 301 Grand Junction, CO 81506

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# STATE OF COLORADO

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman St., Room 215 Denver, Colorado 80203 Phone: (303) 866-3567 FAX: (303) 832-8106

September 11, 2009

Ryan J. McHale, Vice President Venture Resources, Inc. PO Box 1974 Idaho Springs, CO 80452

Re: Declaratory Board Order, Venture Resources, Inc.

Dear Mr. McHale:

On September 11, 2009, the Mined Land Reclamation Board signed the enclosed Board Order for the above captioned operation. We strongly advise that you read this document carefully since it contains provisions which must be satisfied by specific dates to avoid future Board actions.

Sincerely,

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Secretary to the Board

Enclosure(s)

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Bill Ritter, Jr. Governor

Harris D. Sherman Executive Director

Ronald W. Cattany Division Director Natural Resource Trustee

# BEFORE THE MINED LAND RECLAMATION BOARD STATE OF COLORADO

#### ORDER

# IN THE MATTER OF VENTURE RESOURCES, INC.'S PETITION FOR A DECLARATORY ORDER

THIS MATTER came before the Mined Land Reclamation Board ("Board") on August 12, 2009, in Denver, Colorado for a hearing to consider the request of Venture Resources, Inc. ("Petitioner") for a Declaratory Order exempting the Petitioner from the need to obtain a reclamation permit. Ryan McHale appeared on behalf of the Petitioner. Allen Sorensen, Tony Waldron, and Assistant Attorney General Peter Hack appeared on behalf of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety ("Division"). JoAnn Sorenson from Clear Creek County also testified.

The Board, having considered the Division's and the Petitioner's presentations and having been otherwise fully informed of the facts in the matter, hereby enters the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and Board Order:

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. The Petitioner filed a Petition for Declaratory Order on July 24, 2009 pursuant to the Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for Hard Rock, Metal and Designated Mining Operations ("Hard Rock Rules"). Petitioner seeks a Declaratory Order exempting it from the need to obtain a reclamation permit for the proposed remediation activities on its land.

2. The Petitioner owns approximately 270 non-contiguous acres in Clear Creek and Gilpin Counties. The properties have approximately 60 patented mining claims. The mining claims are in the Russell Gulch and Virginia Canyon vicinity of Clear Creek and Gilpin counties, near Central City, Colorado. The claims are all located within a 1.5 mile radius of each other.

3. The Petitioner's property has about 200,000 tons of abandoned mine waste rock dumps that originate from the late 1800's. The piles range in size from 50,000 tons to 2,000 tons. The impacted footprint of each of the various dumps is generally under 1.5 acres.

4. The Petitioner proposes to remove and transport the waste rock tailings piles and process the waste rock in a central processing facility. The processing facility would remove the heavy metals and precious metals from the waste rock and then impound the newly processed and cleaned tailings.

5. The Petitioner currently has a small mobile processing facility capable of processing 40 tons of rock per 24 hours. The Petitioner has plans for a larger 400 tons per

Venture Resources, Inc. Petition for Declaratory Order day processing facility. The processing facility uses gravity and flotation concentration processes to extract heavy and precious metals. Water and additives are used in the multi-stage process. Eventually, the inert tailings will be impounded and the water used to process them will be recycled through the plant.

6. The proposed impoundment area is located in the upper portion of Hukill Gulch, a dry gulch. The impoundment area will contain up to 700,000 tons of waste rock and have a 7.6 acre footprint. The plans call for five benches stair-stepped up the gulch. The bench faces will be 40 feet high and 60 feet deep. The water used for processing will be decanted from the tailings and pumped back to the processing facility and recycled. The impoundment will be reclaimed in phases using biosolids and woodchips as a soil foundation.

7. The Petitioner's proposed plan has significant environmental impacts. The old mine waste dumps are chemically reactive, acidic and metalliferous. They require specialized handling to minimize off-site impacts during excavation. The water used in the processing mill and resulting impoundments must be regulated. Also, the design and safety of the impoundments must be regulated.

8. The Petitioner argues that the proposed activities do not require a reclamation permit because they will be regulated by the counties and possibly the Colorado Department of Health and Environment ("CDPHE"). Also, the Petitioner argues that the activities should not be considered mining because it is not extracting the materials from their natural occurrence, but rather processing materials that have already been extracted from their natural occurrence.

9. The Division argues that the activities proposed by the Petitioner need a reclamation permit. Overall, the Division asserts that it has the expertise and regulatory authority over these activities. Also, the Division has permitted other similar "re-mining" operations.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

10. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to  $\S$  34-32-104, 105, and 107, of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act,  $\S$  34-32-101 through 125, C.R.S. (2008) (the "Act").

11. Hard Rock Rule 2.5.1 allows any person who may be directly and adversely affected and whose interests are entitled to legal protection under the Act to "petition the Board for declaratory order to terminate controversies or to remove uncertainties as to the applicability to the Petitioner of any statutory provision of or any rule or order of the Board," made pursuant to the Act.

12. Pursuant to § 34-32-103(8), C.R.S., the term "mining operation" includes "surface operations and the disposal of refuse from underground mining." The term also includes transportation, concentrating, milling, evaporation, and other processing on affected

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lands. Here, the Petitioner's proposed operation will process waste rock from abandoned mining operations. The process described by the Petitioner includes transporting the waste rock to the processing center, milling the rock, and processing out the heavy and precious metals using concentrating techniques. The Petitioner's proposed activities are within the statutory definition of mining. Therefore, should the Petitioner proceed with the proposed activities, a reclamation permit from the Division is necessary.

13. The Board finds that the Petitioner's proposed activities are mining and that a reclamation permit is required.

#### ORDER

Based on the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Board hereby denies the Petitioner's request for a Declaratory Order exempting it from the need to obtain a reclamation permit. A reclamation permit is required for the activities described by the Petitioner.

DONE AND ORDERED this 11 day of September, 2009.

FOR THE COLORADO MINED LAND REGLAMATION BOARD

. Peterson, Acting Chair Mined Land Reclamation Board

Venture Resources, Inc. Petition for Declaratory Order

#### **NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS**

Please refer to Hard Rock Rule 2.5.6 and § 24-4-106, C.R.S., for information regarding judicial appeal of this matter. Please refer to § 24-4-106(6), C.R.S., regarding the record of this matter. A Designation of Record filed in accordance with § 24-4-106(6), C.R.S., should be served on the Board at: 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO 80203, Attention: Sitira Pope.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that I have duly served the within FINDINGS OF FACT,

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND BOARD ORDER upon all parties herein by depositing

copies of same in the United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, at Denver, Colorado,

this <u>11</u> day of <u>September</u> 2009 addressed as follows:

Ryan J. McHale, Vice President Venture Resources, Inc. PO Box 1974 Idaho Springs, CO 80452

By certified mail no: <u>7008 (140 2004 5017</u> 9795 By Inter-office mail to:

Tony Waldron Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman St., Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

Allen Sorensen Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman St., Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

By intra-office mail to: Jillian H. M. Allison Assistant Attorney General Office of the Attorney General 1525 Sherman Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Denver, CO 80203

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Narrative

BWC - Activated

On 07/01/2022 at about 0700 hours, I was asked my Commander D. Aten to assist the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety with a search warrant.

I was briefed on the incident with Commander Aten and the following members from the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety:

Michael Cunningham - Senior Environmental Protection Specialist Russ Means - Minerals Program Director Jason Musick - Senior Environmental Protection Specialist - Coal Program Jared Ebert - Senior Environmental Protection Specialist - Active Mines Program

I was advised they were serving an "Administrative Search Warrant to Enter and Inspect Property Pursuant to CRS 34-32-121" at 17200 State Highway 72; and they were requesting that the Sheriff's Office stood by while they documented the property.

I responded to the property and contacted the following people on the property:

Lane Nolan (DOB: 03/12/1997) Ted Butterfield (DOB: Unknown) Paul Danio (DOB: 10/23/1953)

I stood by while the members of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety documented the property. At about 0800 hours, the standby was complete and I cleared the scene.

Disposition: Closed.

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