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April 4, 2023

Brennan Middleton City and County of Broomfield 3951 West 144th Avenue Broomfield, CO 80023

RE: Permit M2003-0168; Heit Pit; Technical Revision 7 (TR7) – Request to Discontinue Water Level Monitoring, Adequacy Review 1

Mr. Middleton:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety received Technical Revision 7 (TR7) on March 22, 2023. The decision date for this revision has been set for April 21, 2023. Please be advised that if you are unable to satisfactorily address any concerns identified in this review before the decision date, it will be your responsibility to request an extension of the review period. If there are outstanding issues that have not been adequately addressed prior to the end of the review period, and no extension has been requested, the Division must deny this revision.

The TR as submitted requests to discontinue all current monthly water level monitoring and reporting for the Heit Pit permit.

DRMS has completed the adequacy review of TR7. The Division will continue to require monthly water level monitoring as the site, however, in light of the current data and activity at the site, we feel that a reduction of monitoring locations and reporting frequency is appropriate.

DRMS will approve the following modifications to the monitoring requirements for the remaining life of permit as TR7, unless the permittee wishes to provide an alternate proposal:

 Eliminate Monitoring Wells MW-5, MW-6, MW-8 and MW-11 from the water level monitoring plan as they have been destroyed by off-site activities. (Note: MWs 12, 14, 16, and 18 were located inside the approved slurry wall and as such are not suitable for ground water level monitoring.)



- 2) Eliminate Monitoring Wells MW-1 and MW-2 from the water level monitoring plan as they are located in a wetland area, and near existing wells MW-15 and MW-17 which are located more appropriately.
- 3) Reduction of the required data reporting frequency from monthly to annually. The data collected monthly will be submitted as a required addendum to the annual report.

Monthly water level data will continue to be collected from existing MWs 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 13, 15, and 17 for annual reporting.

This concludes the Division's adequacy review of TR7. If the permittee agrees to the reduction of monitoring locations and reporting frequency proposed in this letter, please reply with a letter of acknowledgement. DRMS will approve TR7 as modified above, and implement the changes to the permit at that time. If the permittee wishes to provide an alternate proposal for consideration, please do so prior to the decision date of April 21, 2023.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (303) 229-9414, or by e-mail at <u>eric.scott@state.co.us</u>.

Sincerely,

Eric Scott Environmental Protection Specialist