



COLORADO

**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

May 31, 2023

Sturges Karban
Caldera Mineral Resources, LLC
3401 Molino
Irvine, CA 92618

**RE: Camp Bird Tailings Exploration Project - File No. P-2012-017
Modification Application (MD-1)
Modification No. 1**

Dear Sturges Karban:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety received your Mineral Prospecting Modification application for the Camp Bird Tailings Exploration Project, which is located in Ouray County. Preliminary review of the information received determined that the following additional information must be received before the Division can consider your application complete and technical review can begin.

The Affidavit of Authority and Performance Warranty were not included with the application. Pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32-117(1) No permit may be issued under this article until the board receives performance and financial warranties as described in subsections (2)(3) and (4) of this section. Please complete and submit the enclosed Performance Warranty and Affidavit of Authority. Once the forms are submitted your application will be considered complete and filed.

Your application is incomplete for the purposes of filing as of May 31, 2023. Per Rule 5.3.1(c) all identified deficiencies must be addressed within 60 days of the date of the application being deemed incomplete. Please submit your responses to the above listed item(s) no later than July 30, 2023.

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 contact me by telephone at 303-866-3567 x 8187, or by email at Lucas.west@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Lucas J. West
Environmental Protection Specialist

P-GR-01

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Documentation of Legal Authority to Execute Financial Warranty Documents

The Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board (“Board”) has adopted the attached Affidavit of Authority to Execute Financial Warranty Documents pursuant to the Mined Land Reclamation Act (C.R.S. § 34-32-101 et. seq.) and the Land Reclamation Act for the Extraction of Construction Materials (C.R.S. § 34-32.5-101 et. seq.). The Board and the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety (“Division”) have determined that, in order to carry out the financial warranty requirements set forth in C.R.S. §§ 34-32-117 and 34-32.5-117 with reasonable diligence, it is prudent to verify the legal authority of the individual signing all necessary documents.

Accordingly, you must provide confirmation of the legal authority of the individual signing all Financial Warranty Documents to the Division. You may do so either by submitting a resolution of the decision-making body of your company that authorizes an individual to sign the Financial Warranty Documents on the company’s behalf, or by completing and notarizing the attached affidavit. The Division reserves the right to require the attached affidavit in all circumstances. Please note that if you are a sole proprietor who is executing documents on your own behalf, documentation of legal authority is unnecessary.



Affidavit of Authority to Execute Financial Warranty Documents

Before me this day, the undersigned _____ [name of authorized person], in his/her capacity as _____ [title of authorized person] ("Affiant"), personally appeared and, being first duly sworn upon oath said:

1. This affidavit is being executed and submitted on behalf of _____ [name of business organization], a(n) _____ [legal form of business organization, *e.g.*, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, etc.], in good standing in the State of Colorado (the "Company").
2. It is in the interest of the Company to execute certain financial warranty documents associated with file number _____ (DRMS file number), which are required by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board and Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety pursuant to Colorado law ("Financial Warranty Documents").
3. Affiant is duly authorized to sign such Financial Warranty Documents on behalf of the Company and to bind the Company to the same.
4. Affiant is not prohibited or limited by the Company's governing documents or by any applicable law from executing the Financial Warranty Documents.
5. Affiant will inform the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety within thirty (30) days in the event that his/her authorization to execute Financial Warranty Documents on the Company's behalf is terminated.

Further, Affiant sayeth not.

Affiant's Name

Signature

STATE OF _____)
_____) ss.:
COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, _____,
by _____ as _____ of _____.

Notary Public _____

My Commission Expires _____



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PERFORMANCE WARRANTY

Permittee/Operator: _____

Operation known as: _____

Permit Number: _____

This form is approved by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board ("Board") pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32-117 of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act and C.R.S. 34-32.5-117 of the Colorado Land Reclamation Act for the Extraction of Construction Materials.

All parties are on Notice from this Document that:

The above listed Operator provides this warranty to the Board in conjunction with a reclamation Permit to conduct the above described mining operation on certain lands in Colorado. The "Affected Lands" are described in the above listed reclamation Permit, and include any Permit Amendment(s) approved by the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety ("Division").

The Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act, C.R.S. 34-32-101 *et seq.* ("Hard Rock Act"), and the Colorado Land Reclamation Act for the Extraction of Construction Materials, C.R.S. 34-32.5-101 *et seq.* ("Construction Materials Act"), both require a permit issued by the Board to include a written promise by the Operator to comply with all requirements of the Hard Rock and Construction Materials Acts (referred to herein together as "Acts").

Through the terms and conditions of this performance warranty and Permit, the Operator agrees to be bound by all requirements of the Acts and all Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Board for Hard Rock, Metal, and Designated Mining Operations (2 C.C.R. 407-1) and all Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Board for the Extraction of Construction Materials (2 C.C.R. 407-4) (referred to herein together as "Rules").

The Operator hereby provides the Board warranties of performance pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32-117(2), (3), and (4)/C.R.S. 34-32.5-117(2), (3), and (4), and promises the Board it will comply with all applicable requirements of the Acts and Rules.

The Operator hereby promises the Board it will comply with all of the terms of the reclamation Permit, including any Permit Amendment(s) approved by the Division. This performance warranty obligation of the Operator shall continue until the Operator's liability is released by the Board.

The Operator promises to be responsible for reclamation costs up to the amount established by the Board and incorporates its financial warranty to this performance warranty. The Operator agrees to maintain a financial warranty (or warranties) in good standing for the reclamation costs for the entire life of the



Permit. The amount of the financial warranty shall be sufficient to assure the completion of reclamation of affected lands if the Division has to complete such reclamation due to forfeiture. If the Board determines the Operator is in default under this performance warranty and the Operator fails to cure such default, the Operator's financial warranty shall be subject to forfeiture pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32-118/34-32.5-118.

This performance warranty by the Operator is perpetual and shall remain in full force and effect until all obligations have been met and all associated financial warranty is released by the Board. Any release of liability in a succession of Operators shall comply with C.R.S. 34-32-119/34-32.5-119.

The provisions hereof shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their successors and assigns.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DATED this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Operator: _____

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

NOTARIZATION OF OPERATOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF _____)
) ss.

COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____
(Day) (Month) (Year)

by _____ as _____
(Name) (Title)

of _____.
(Operator)

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission expires: _____

APPROVED:
State of Colorado
Mined Land Reclamation Board
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

By: _____ Date: _____
Division Director