

July 31, 2023

Lori Smith Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company P.O. Box 191 Victor, CO 80860

Re: Application Withdrawn, Revision No. TR138 Cresson Project, Permit No. M-1980-244

Dear Lori Smith,

On July 27, 2022, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your request to withdraw Technical Revision TR138 application for the Cresson Project 112d-3 Hard Rock Reclamation Permit (M-1980-244). TR138 proposed a long-term plan for investigating and mitigating seepage from the East Cresson Overburden Storage Area (ECOSA).

This request was submitted following a discussion between the CC&V and the Division regarding TR138. It was discussed that the proposal to install four groundwater interception wells, two monitoring wells, and an unknown-sized storage facility to store captured groundwater until it could be transferred to the Valley Leach Facilities (VLFs), exceeds the scope of a Technical Revision and is considered a significant change to the approved mining and reclamation plans. Additionally, as the proposal stated that following the end of the mining and processing operations, the VLFs would be closed and captured groundwater from the ECOSA would no longer be able to be conveyed to the VLFs for disposal at that time, therefore the Division considered this proposal to not be a long-term plan as expected to be submitted per the TR132 commitment.

TR138 application is considered WITHDRAWN.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (303) 866-3567 x8132.

Sincerely,

Elliott R. Russell Environmental Protection Specialist

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