

August 31, 2023

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety Mr. Joel Renfro Environmental Protection Specialist 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

Re: M-1993-004 Navajo Mine, Elbert County, Colorado Corrective Action Extension request

Dear Mr. Renfro:

General Shale Brick, Inc. (GSB) has received your inspection report dated May 31, 2023 for the Navajo Mine. The inspection requested that GSB update:

- 1. The mine plan for stormwater management and associated structures.
- 2. The reclamation plan for reclamation of stormwater management and associated structures.
- 3. Update the bond since the bond has been increased for several years.

General Shale is the owner of the property, and the stockpile pad area stormwater pond should remain after reclamation to fit the current post mining land use. GSB has been approved for a livestock watering pond with the Division of Water Resources (DWR) Office. General Shale has drafted the document and is currently working on drafting the maps.

Core Energy has been approved by Elbert County to continue planning their powerline along the south side of Elbert County Road 174. General Shale is awaiting their signed structure that we will include with the technical revision.

GSB is requesting an extension of the due date of August 31, 2023 to September 30, 2023.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions at 303-783-3058 or by email at jason.mcgraw@generalshale.com.

Sincerely, General Shale Brick, Inc.

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