



September 18, 2023

Dominga Jimenez-Garcia
Pueblo County
33601 United Ave
Pueblo, CO 81001

Re: Extension Request Approval, Corrective Actions, Everhart Pit, Permit File No. M-1997-081

Dear Dominga Jimenez-Garcia,

On September 18, 2023, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS/Division) received Pueblo County's request to extend the deadline to abate the inspection problem "The Operator has mined at a depth deeper than what is approved in their mining plan. The current mine plan needs to be updated and clarified pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32.5-112 (1)(c)(VI)." cited in the June 20, 2023 inspection report for the May 17, 2023 inspection of the Everhart Pit from the current September 27, 2023 due date to October 27, 2023.

After a discussion with the Operator, and review of the permit, the Division will require the Operator to submit a Technical Revision to clarify the mining plan to clearly specify the nature, depth, and thickness of the deposit to be mined and the thickness and type of overburden to be removed per Rule 6.4.4(f)(i). Additionally, the Division will grant the Operator time to investigate the depth of the groundwater to verify that the mining operations will not expose groundwater. **The Division hereby approves the extension request. The new due date for this problem is set for October 27, 2023.**

If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (303) 866-3567 x8137, (720) 836-0967, or by email at amber.michels@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Amber Michels
Environmental Protection Specialist

cc: Jared Ebert, DRMS
Brock Bowles

