

October 16, 2023

Tori Ferrara NEPA Program Manager, DPW Environmental Division 1626 Evans St., Bldg 1219, Room 229 Fort Carson, CO 80913

RE: Stone City Mine, Permit No. M-1990-143, Notice of Request for Temporary Cessation TC-2, Second Period

Dear Tori Ferrara:

This letter is to inform Counties and Municipalities within two miles of a mining operation of the intent of General Shale & Brick, Inc. to put their mining operation into a state of temporary cessation. This letter is sent pursuant to the requirement of Rule 1.13.6 of the Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board. Please be advised that General Shale & Brick, Inc., whose address and telephone number are 1845 West Dartmouth Avenue, Denver, CO 80110; (303) 783-2992, has filed a Notice of Temporary Cessation with the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety for the Stone City Mine mining operation. The mining operation is located at or near Section 36, Township 18S, Range 67W, 6th Colorado Prime Meridian, in Pueblo County.

The period of temporary cessation is retroactive and commenced at the end of the first five year period which ended on November 1, 2021, and will last up to five years from that date. The notice submitted to the Division contains information pertaining to the reasons for cessation of the mining operation, a plan for resumption, and the measures taken to comply with reclamation and other necessary activities related to the performance standards of Rule 3 of the Rules and Regulations in order to maintain the mine in a non-producing or non-development state. Any person directly and adversely affected or aggrieved, may file a written objection with the Division regarding this Notice of Temporary Cessation. The Notice of Temporary Cessation will be placed on the agenda for consideration by the Board at the November 15 and 16, 2023 Board meeting. If the Division receives a timely objection to the Notice of Temporary Cessation, the Board will hear the objection as a contested matter. During that meeting, the Board will consider whether or not to accept the Notice.

If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>amber.gibson@state.co.us</u> or at (720) 836-0967.

Sincerely,

Amber M. Gibson Environmental Protection Specialist

