

Division of Reclamation, Mining & Safety c/o Mr. Patrick Lennberg 1001 E 62nd Ave, Room 215 Denver, CO 80216

RE: One Year Extension Request for the Filing of a Designated Mining Operation Limited Impact Conversion Operation Permit Application for the Cross Gold Mine, Permit No. M-1977-410

Dear Mr. Lennberg:

Grand Island Resources (GIR/Operator) Permit No. M-1977-410, hereby requests from Colorado Department of Natural Resources, Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS), a One Year Extension for the filing of a Designated Mining Operation (DMO) Application with the DRMS. The current DMO Application filing date is January 17, 2024, as set forth in and in accordance with the DRMS, DMO Filing Approval Letter dated March 1, 2023

The Operator has experienced constraints over the last eighteen months which precluded advancement of field studies, data gathering and processing, facilities design and associated activities required for the preparation of a Designated Mining Operation Environmental Protection Plan (EPP) as described under Colorado Department of Natural Resources, Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Hard Rock Metal Mining 2 CCR 407-1 Exhibit "U"; and, Emergency Response Plan that complies with Sections 34-32-103(4.9) and 34-32-116.5(5), C.R.S. 1984, as amended, and Section 8.3, for designated chemicals used on site, and appropriate measures recommended by the Colorado Division of Wildlife (DOW) for the protection of wildlife from damage from designated chemicals, toxic or acid-forming materials and acid mine drainage, as required.

Over the past 25 months, the Operator has concentrated available financial and personnel resources to comply with Colorado Water Control Division, Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE) Cease and Desist Order No. IO-211130-1 for alleged violations of the Colorado Water Quality Control Act and Discharge Permit which has now been resolved via improvements to the on-site water treatment system and settlement agreement between CDPHE and the Operator.

Over the last 5 quarters and 2 months, available financial and personnel resources have also been dedicated on priority basis to comply with Technical Revision #10 monthly water sampling, testing and quarterly reporting from 2 surface water stations, 3 groundwater wells and 2 discharge points along with Outfall-01 water treatment effluent. The Operator will utilize the 5 quarter of water quality data to prepare the EPP in accordance with Colorado Department of Natural Resources, Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Hard Rock Metal Mining 2 CCR 407-1 Exhibit "U", in particular (9)(b).

The Operator is rebuilding its capital base from the constraints over the last eighteen months, and anticipates that the financial resources needed to perform the work required for the preparation of the DMO and EPP will be available early in 2024 such that spring, summer and fall studies are completed.



The Operator looks forward to the approval of this DMO Filing Extension Request and continued operations at the Cross Mine.

Respectfully submitted,

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