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Montoya Pit, M-1980-146, Reclamation Cost Update

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DRAFT REQUEST FOR YOU TO REVIEW.

Dear Dustin:

Thanks for your patience on this.

Hank and I are requesting an extension until the 15th of March to provide comments on to you on the estimate. Your calculations are all good, but the situation at Montoya Pit has changed significantly and we have large areas that we are able to request partial release, and at least one area that we are going to request full release. While the proposed increase is quite small, given inflation, we believe that the current conditions will result in a significant potential reduction in the financial warranty, but need to gather and provide you the information on that, as well as submitting a formal application for at least partial release.

So it is difficult for both you and us to go through the calculations and then have to do it again in a month to take into account the changes. At the same time we are being crunched for time due to other work.

Finally, we still need to get BLM to approve releasing of the BLM financial warranty which is a duplication of many of the items. You may find in the records that this was identified back in 2022 but not pursued because it would have delayed the review and approval of the amendment/revision at that time. But we do need to resolve that and make sure that both you and the BLM are satisfied. Lucas may be able to provide some details.

That is why I'm requesting such a lengthy extension.

Please let me know if I need to submit a formal letter asking for the extension of time to review and get back to you on the estimate, or if this email will be adequate.

Respectfully,

Nathan

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