

March 6, 2024

Kirk Daehling Natural Soda LLC 3200 CR 31 Rifle, CO 81650

RE: Nacholite Project, Permit No. M-1983-194, Undesirable event Acknowledgement

Dear Mr. Daehling:

On March 5, 2024 the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division) received notification of an undesirable event (spill) that occurred on March 5, 2024. According to your notification report, the brine fluid eroded a 90° corner on the #12 pipeline which resulted in a pin hole that began to leak. This hole was immediately plugged then repaired with a patch weld. All contaminated soils were immediately excavated and the affected areas will be reclaimed (graded and seeded).

Please provide the Division with photo documentation of the repairs and reclaimed area.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Amy Geldell

Amy Yeldell Environmental Protection Specialist

Enclosures:

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Travis Marshall, Senior EPS, Grand Junction DRMS James Roberts, White River Field Office, BLM Jamie Reck, Natural Soda EH&S Manager Gerald Daub, Consultant

