

August 22, 2024

Submitted via email (jocelyn.carter@state.co.us)

Ms. Jocelyn Carter
Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety
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Denver, CO 80203

RE: GCC Rio Grande, Inc., Pueblo Plant, Reclamation Permit No. M-2002-004, Technical Revision 13 (TR-13), Review of Updated Financial Warranty Cost Estimate and Decision Date Extension Request

Dear Ms. Carter:

GCC Rio Grande, Inc., Pueblo Plant (GCC) submitted a request for Technical Revision 13 (TR-13) to the GCC Permit on March 28, 2024. The Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety (DRMS) responded in its Adequacy Review letter on April 16, 2024. GCC previously requested and the DRMS approved a 60-day extension to provide additional time to respond to the Adequacy Review letter, extending the decision date to August 25, 2024.

With this letter, GCC is:

- 1. GCC has reviewed the updated financial warranty cost estimate provided in the Adequacy Review letter and has no additional comments or issues with the updated cost estimate.
- 2. Requesting another 90-day extension to the decision date to provide additional time to finalize the Incremental Sampling Methodology (ISM) Plan (addresses item numbers 3 and 4 of the Adequacy Review letter), provide for the DRMS to review the ISM Plan, for GCC to finalize (pending DRMS comments) and implement the ISM Plan, receive and review analytical results, and for GCC to finalize all aspects of its response to the TR-13 Adequacy Review letter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (719) 647-6861.

Sincerely,

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