

September 16, 2024

Brady Reece Colorado Sand Company II, LLC 2001 Kirby Drive, Suite 360 Houston, TX 77019

Re: Kersey Mine, File No. M-2024-026, Adequacy Review #3

Dear Mr. Reece:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) is reviewing the 112 Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Application package for the Kersey Mine, File No. M-2024-026. The Division has the following questions on the applicant's proposed cost estimate:

Exhibit L – Reclamation Cost Estimate

- 1. Table L-1 includes a cost for 15 truckloads of Miscellaneous Solid Wast Removal/Disposal. Please provide the volume of a truckload or estimate the total volume of the solid waste that will be disposed of off-site.
- 2. Table L-1 includes a cost estimate to rip/scarify 22.8 acres of the Southwest Primary Haul Roads. Please provide dimensions for these two roads. Additionally, Exhibit D-2 Map depicts a Northwest Haul Road. Please update the reclamation plan to include this road in the estimate and provide the dimensions.
- 3. The application states that at any given time, the maximum area of disturbance will include: the active face area and the recent (previous) mine out blocks, consisting of (up to) five yearly mine blocks, and the 107-acre plant/facilities area. The first five years of the mine plan proposes to mine 585 acres. Additionally, in Exhibit D, page 14, the applicant states that no reclamation activity is planned for Years 1 or 2 and only 42 acres will be reclaimed in Year 3. A total of 140 acres of reclamation is anticipated by the end of Year 5. Therefore, please revise the cost estimate to reflect reclamation of the disturbance area during the first five years, including Mining Areas 0-5 depicted on Exhibit D-2 Mine Plan map, the footprint of the plant/facilities area, and the three main haul roads.

This concludes the Division's third adequacy review of this application. The Division is required to make an approval or denial decision no later than **September 24, 2024**. The



Division needs two weeks to review adequacy responses, therefore, please request an extension of time to allow for continued review of this application.

If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at 720-527-1640 or by email at nikie.gagnon@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

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