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Chavers Mining M2015030 Acceptance of GW Confirmation Sampling

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Hi Greg.

Please see the attached acceptance letter regarding the confirmation sampling at Chavers. I concur with your assessment that the elevated iron is likely coming from an upgradient source. When you submit the annual report in July, please include an updated trend analysis graph for iron for the two wells. I'd like to see if the downgradient well returns to the baseline condition over the next few months.

Let me know if you have any questions.

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February 12, 2025

Greg Geras Asphalt Specialties Co. 345 W. 62nd Ave. Denver, CO 80216

Re: Chavers Mining Resource, Permit No. M-2015-030, Confirmation Sample Results and Trend Graph for Monitoring Wells MW-3 and MW-6

Dear Mr. Geras,

On January 30, 2025, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) received the confirmation sampling data for the Chavers Mining Resource monitoring wells MW-3 (upgradient) and MW-6 (downgradient) submitted by Asphalt Specialties Co. The Division reviewed and accepts the data submitted. As noted in the January 30 letter, the confirmation samples indicate the iron concentrations are below the groundwater quality standard of 0.3 mg/L. The Division concurs that the higher concentrations reported in 2024 are likely due to upgradient offsite activity.

Please continue to monitor the site according to the approved January 2024 Groundwater Monitoring and Mitigation Plan and notify the Division of any analytes that exceed the groundwater quality standard within 1 week of receipt of the results. Additionally, the Division requests that you submit an updated trend analysis for iron for monitoring wells MW-3 and MW-6 with the annual groundwater monitoring report due in July 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>nikie.gagnon@state.co.us</u> or at (720)527-1640.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Jared Ebert, Senior EPS, DRMS

