

May 5, 2025

Greg Geras Asphalt Specialties Co. 345 W. 62<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Denver, CO 80216

## Re: Chavers Mining Resource, Permit No. M-2015-030, Confirmation Sample Results and Manganese Trend Graph for Monitoring Well MW-4

Dear Mr. Geras,

On May 2, 2025, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) received the confirmation sampling data for the Chavers Mining Resource monitoring well MW-4 (downgradient) submitted by Asphalt Specialties Co. As noted in the May 2 letter, the confirmation sample indicates the manganese concentration is below the groundwater quality standard for the site of 0.397 mg/L. The Division reviewed the sampling result and concurs that the higher concentration of manganese reported in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2025 reflects historic sporadic spikes in concentrations observed in the upgradient wells MW-2 and MW-3. This data is presented in a graph submitted with the confirmation sampling.

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.

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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