



**COLORADO**  
Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety  
Department of Natural Resources

May 5, 2025

George L. Quist  
1849 Trail Creek Rd.  
Lake George, CO 80827

**Re: Notice of Filing Deficiencies, 110(1) Hardrock Amendment Application AM1  
Quist Mining, File No. M-2023-002**

Dear Mr. Quist,

On April 28, 2025, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your 110(1) Hardrock Limited Impact Operation Reclamation Permit Amendment Application (AM1) for the operation known as Quist Mining, Permit No. M-2023-002. Pursuant to Rule 1.4.1(8), the Division has determined the application contains deficiencies which prevent the application from being considered filed. Please respond to this Notice of Filing Deficiencies with the requested information and summarize each response to the numbered items below, in a cover letter titled "Response to Filing Deficiencies AM1, M-2023-002".

**GENERAL APPLICATION PROCESS**

1. A copy of the on-site notice and an affidavit of posting was not provided. As required by Rule 1.6.2(1)(b), please submit a copy of the completed on-site notice and a signed affidavit demonstrating the on-site notice has been posted at the access to the proposed site.

**Exhibit E – Map (Rule 6.3.5):**

2. The AM1 packet does not contain maps which portray the remaining 2-acre original area (assumed to be set with the simultaneous approval of Acreage Reduction AR1). This would involve a permit boundary area consisting of the merged blue and yellow lines on the *Google Earth* AR1 map of the three permitted areas which will remain on the Three- and Four-Point claims. The AM1 materials will need to include Exhibit E maps of this area in addition to the maps submitted covering the expansion areas onto the Silver Microcline and Hilltop Claims.

**EXHIBIT G – Source of Legal Right-to-Enter (Rule 6.3.7):**

3. Rule 6.3.7 requires documentation to be submitted regarding the Applicant's legal right to enter to conduct mining and reclamation for the surface and subsurface of the affected lands.
  - A. For the surface, please include a copy of a conditionally approved or approved Mine Plan of Operations from the USFS which covers the permitted and proposed permitted areas of the M-2023-002.
  - B. For the subsurface, AM1 materials do not clearly demonstrate George L. Quist as the Owner of Record. Within Exhibit G, "Silver Microcline - 242085 and Hilltop – 242084" is listed as the serial numbers of the claims and you have provided a Bureau of Land Management receipt showing the assessment fees paid for 10 claims with two of the claims highlighted. Neither the highlighted nor the other 8 claims match the serial numbers provided in Exhibit G. You have also provided two recorded copies of Location Certificates for the Silver Microcline and Hilltop Claims, however the Division is unable to find a match between the serial



numbers provided in Exhibit G nor the BLM receipt. Please provide documentation which clearly shows George L. Quist is an active claimant of the permitted and proposed permitted areas of the M-2023-002 and update Exhibit G accordingly.

**EXHIBIT I – Proof of Filing with County Clerk (Rule 6.3.9):**

4. In accordance with Rule 6.3.9, please submit proof that the revisions associated with this letter have been placed for public review with the original application at the local County Clerk and Recorder.

**EXHIBIT J – Proof of Mailing Notices to Board of County Commissioners and Conservation District (Rule 6.3.10):**

5. The Division received electronic copies of the receipts of certified mailing to the local Board of County Commissions and the Soil Conservation District, however, the application materials did not include the required certified mail return receipts, also known as the green signature cards. In accordance with Rule 1.6.2 (1)(a)(ii), please submit Proof of Notice in the form of certified mail return receipts or date-stamped copies of the notices acknowledging receipt by the local Board of County Commissions and the Soil Conservation District.

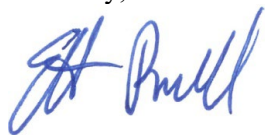
AM1 will not be considered filed until the information listed above is received and found sufficient to begin our review. A decision date will be established 30 days from the date of receipt and acceptance of all of the requested information. Please note, if you have already published notice you will need to republish notice, but only after the Division considers the application filed; the Division will notify you when you should initiate publication of your notice. This notice must be published once within 10 days of the date your application is considered filed. The final date for receiving comments is the 10th day after the publication or the next regular business day.

Pursuant to Rule 1.4.1(8), you have 60 days from the date of this letter to submit all necessary documents that the Division needs for an application to be considered filed. If, at the end of the sixty day period, the application has not been determined to be filed with the Division, the Division may deny the application and terminate the amendment application. **The response to this Notice of Filing Deficiencies is due on or before July 4, 2025.**

This letter shall not be interpreted to mean that there are no other deficiency or adequacy requirements in your application. The Division will review your application to determine whether it is adequate to meet the requirements of the Act and Rules after submittal of all required items.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (303) 903-4456 or [Elliott.Russell@state.co.us](mailto:Elliott.Russell@state.co.us).

Sincerely,



Elliott R. Russell  
Environmental Protection Specialist

cc: Zach Trujillo, DRMS