



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

June 26, 2025

John Asselta
MILE HI ROCK AND MINERAL SOCIETY
13495 W. 71st Place
Arvada, CO 80004

**Re: Notice of Filing Deficiencies, 110(1) Hardrock Reclamation Permit Application
RAMS HOME, File No. M-2025-030**

Dear Mr. Asselta,

On June 11, 2025, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received the MILE HI ROCK AND MINERAL SOCIETY Hardrock Limited Impact Operation 110(1) Reclamation Permit Application for the proposed RAMS HOME operation in Teller County and assigned it File No. M-2025-030. 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 Notice of Filing Deficiencies, M-2025-030".

APPLICATION FORM and GENERAL APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Question #10 on the application form (Page 3) contains missing and incorrect information. For the *General Description* filed, please provide the elevation of the site and verify the distance and direction from Lake George to the mine. Please also update the information within Exhibit A, Section 1.i.
2. Responsibility #10 (Page 6) was initialed however, the Applicant/Operator appears to not be a Joint Venture or Partnership. Please revise Page 6 accordingly.
3. A copy of the on-site notice and the affidavit of posting was provided with the application materials, however, the Applicant/Operator is listed as John Asselta instead of MILE HI ROCK AND MINERAL SOCIETY and both the notice and affidavit contain conflicting dates of posting and signature. Please correct the on-site notice and resubmit a copy or photograph of the on-site notice and provide an updated affidavit demonstrating the on-site notice has been posted at the access to the proposed site.

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

4. 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. Within Exhibit G, the Applicant states the owner of the surface is the United States Forest Service. Please include a copy of a conditionally approved or approved Mine Plan of Operations from the USFS which covers the proposed permitted areas.
 - B. Within Exhibit G, the Applicant states the owner of the subsurface is Bureau of Land Management and that John Asselta is the claimant of CMC#48474 and CMC#248805 claims. Please provide documentation which demonstrates John Asselta is the active claimant of the proposed permitted areas and then, in



accordance with Rule 6.3.7, provide either a lease agreement or a signed and notarized statement from John Asselta giving MILE HI ROCK AND MINERAL SOCIETY the legal right to mine and reclaim the areas associated with the permit application.

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

5. 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):

6. The Division received date-stamped copies as proof of notice to the local Board of County Commissions and the Soil Conservation District, however, the notice to the Soil Conservation District has been signed by the Teller County Planner. 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 Soil Conservation District.

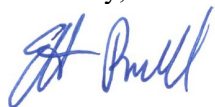
The MILE HI ROCK AND MINERAL SOCIETY application will not be considered filed until the information listed above is received and found sufficient to begin our review. A decision date will then be established 30 days from the date of receipt and acceptance of all of the requested information. Please note, 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 application. **The response to this Notice of Filing Deficiencies is due on or before August 25, 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 the 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.

Sincerely,



Elliott R. Russell
Environmental Protection Specialist

cc: Zach Trujillo, DRMS
Robert Baldwin, MILE HI ROCK AND MINERAL SOCIETY