

**TOMICHI MATERIALS, LLC**  
**43188 East Highway 50**  
**Gunnison, Colorado 81230**

**August 20, 2025**

Mr. Dustin M. Czapla  
DRMS Room 215  
1001 E. 62<sup>nd</sup> Ave  
Denver, Colorado 80216

Re: Tomichi Pit – File No. M-2013-081  
Tomichi Materials, LLC  
Surety Increase (SI-1)  
Increase FW to \$496,547

Dear Dustin:

Thank you for taking the time to talk to me this morning about my concerns for the bond increase amount due to the estimated reclamation cost increase by \$227,010.90, which would cause an increase of approximately \$7,000.00 in the past bond premium.

I have not had all the time needed to prepare to provide information to you require to show why the estimated reclamation costs be reduced primarily because the estimated cost is based upon the cost as if the pit was fully mined out. It will no doubt take at least 30 years before the pit is fully mined out. We are currently removing about 125,000 tons of material per year and if you double that amount to 250,000, it will take more than 30 years before the pit will be fully empty and require 1,409-acre feet of water to be removed from the pit so reclamation can be accomplished.

Our plan is to work with a consultant to provide information to DRMS to show that the cost to remove water from the pit as will exist 10 years from now, will be substantially less than the current estimate of \$244,221. We will assume a reassessment within ten years.

Our obvious goal is to perhaps reduce the bond premium by several thousand dollars.

We hereby request an extension to provide the new bond from August 25<sup>th</sup> to September 25<sup>th</sup>. Please let me know if you have any questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

  
Byron R. Chrisman  
Manager