June 1, 2012



Jonathan Hernandez (via email – <u>jonathan.hernandez@state.co.us</u>) Division of Water Resources 1313 Sherman Street, Room 818 Denver, CO 80203

RE: Polly Mann Pit (aka M&G Pit)

Dear Jonathan:

I am writing in response to the Show Cause Order letter, dated May 21, 2012, regarding Ground Water Exposure at the M&G Pit (M-1986-079).

I am under contract with Mann Resources, LLC (operator) and Parkfield Partners, LLC (owner), which took operations at the pit from LaFarge West, Inc. last year. I am representing both the owner and operator on water resources engineering matters for the M&G Pit.

This letter is sent to advise you the proposed action to address the Show Cause Order is the filing of a request for a Substitute Water Supply Plan (SWSP) to replace evaporative depletions at the pit. Mining is completed at the pit and it is currently in reclamation. The current and previous operators of the pit have been backfilling the pit with material excavated from other sites. No ground water will be exposed from within the permit area once the backfill is completed, which is anticipated to be completed within the next three to five years. Therefore, the owner and operator anticipate operating under SWSPs to replace evaporation depletions until the backfill is completed.

The initial SWSP request by Mann Resources, LLC and Parkfield Partners, LLC will be submitted to the Division of Water Resources by July 6, 2012. This date corresponds with the 45-day requirement outlined in the Show Cause Order letter.

I trust this letter adequately addresses the initial response required in the Show Cause Order. Please advise if you feel otherwise.

I remain, respectfully yours,

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