

STATE OF COLORADO

DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY
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July 16, 2012

Mr. Robert Warneke
Natural Soda, Inc.
3200 RBC 31
Rifle, CO 81650

Re: Nahcolite Project, Permit No. M-1983-194, Amendment Approval, Revision No. AM-3

Dear Mr. Warneke:

On July 16, 2012 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety approved the Amendment application submitted to the Division on March 9, 2012, addressing the following:

- *Increase the permit acreage from 73 acres to 8223 acres with a maximum affected acreage of 260 acres.*
- *AM-03 incorporates the requirements of Rules 7 and 8 which specify the environmental protection requirements of the Designated Mining Operation.*

The terms of Amendment No. 3 approved by the Division are hereby incorporated into Permit No. M-1983-194. All other conditions and requirements of Permit No. M-1983-194 remain in full force and effect.

The estimated liability amount of \$1,935,536.19 is adequate at this time.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (970) 241-2042.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Travis Marshall".

Travis Marshall
Environmental Protection Specialist

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