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August 30, 2012

Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

RE: Weimer Pit #2 M-1996-031 Request for Bond Reduction

To Board of Department of Natural Resources, Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

Sutherland Brothers, Inc. has done the following work: all slopes have been re-contoured and top soiled. The pit bottom has also been top soiled and the entire permitted area has been treated for noxious weeds according to the weed control plan approved by Colorado State University Cooperative Extension. The tamarisk have been removed and treated. The weed control will be ongoing according to the plan.

We would appreciate reduction of the bond on this permitted area.

Owner of record: Weimer Ranches, Phone (970) 864-7315, address: 29537 County Road 2700, Nucla, Colorado 81424.

Sincerely,

Bob Sutherland

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