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November 20, 2012

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Director

RE: SR-13A Mine, Permit No. M-1977-311, Comments Regarding 110d Amendment Application (AM1)

Dear Mr. Williams,

On November 16, 2012 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received comments regarding the above referenced application from the Division of Water Resources (DWR).

Please inform the Division of how the Applicant will respond to the jurisdictional issues presented by the DWR.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please contact me at the DRMS Grand Junction Field Office.

Sincerely,



Dustin Czaplak

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Enc: DWR Comments dated November 14, 2012

Cc: Ed Cotter, DOE



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Response to Reclamation Permit Amendment Application Consideration

DATE: November 14, 2012
TO: Bob Oswald, Environmental Protection Specialist
CC: Division 7 Office; District 71 Water Commissioner
FROM: Caleb Foy, E.I.T. CRF
RE: SR-13A Mine, File No. M-1977-311
Operator: Cotter Corporation
Contact: Glen Williams, (970) 864-7347
Sec. 30, Twp. 44N, Rng. 18W, N.M.P.M., San Miguel County

Am # 1

CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

- ☒ The proposed operation does not anticipate exposing groundwater. Therefore, exposure of ground water must not occur during or after mining operations. If stormwater is contained on-site, it must infiltrate into the ground or be released to the natural stream system within 72 hours, or all work must cease until a substitute water supply plan, or augmentation plan approved by water court, is obtained. Reclamation plans must ensure water will not be retained onsite for more than 72 hours unless an augmentation plan approved by water court is obtained.
- ☒ The proposed operation will consume water by: ☐ evaporation, ☒ dust control, ☐ reclamation, ☐ water removed in the mined product, ☒ processing, ☐ other:.
The applicant shall obtain water needed for the mining operation from a legal source.

COMMENTS: The applicant may contact the local Water Commissioner for information concerning legal water supplies in the area. The mine is also located in Sec. 19, Twp. 44N, Rng. 18W, N.M.P.M., and Secs. 24 & 25, Twp. 44N, Rng. 19W, N.M.P.M.

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