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RE: Request for Extension of Mineral Joe Mine Decision Due Date

Dear Mr. Means:

Cotter Corporation (N.S.L.) ("Cotter") requests an extension of the decision due date for the Mineral Joe Mine Permit Amendment. Pursuant to the October 23, 2012 letter from Stephanie Reigh of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, the decision due date is now January 11, 2013, and Cotter is requesting an extension until February 11, 2013. The extension will allow more time to prepare the responses, which is needed due to the holiday season.

Respectfully,

Glen Williams
Vice President, Mining Operations

cc: Stephanie Reigh, DRMS