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Mr. G. Russell Means
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Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
Grand Junction Field Office
101 S. Third St, Room 301
Grand Junction, Colorado 81501

RE: Request for Extension of CM-25 Mine Decision Due Date and Related Deadlines

Dear Mr. Means:

Cotter Corporation (N.S.L.) ("Cotter") requests an extension of the decision due date for the CM-25 Mine Permit Amendment. Pursuant to the October 23, 2012 letter from Dustin Czapla 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. Cotter also requests that the due date for the response to the second adequacy review be extended from December 28, 2012 until January 28, 2013, and that the due date for the response to the jurisdictional issues presented by INFORM be extended from December 21, 2012 until January 22, 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: Dustin Czapla, DRMS