



December 19, 2012

Mr. Dustin Czapla
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Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
Grand Junction Field Office
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RE: Request for Extension of SR-13A Due Date for Response to Second Adequacy Review

Dear Mr. Czapla:

Cotter Corporation (N.S.L.) ("Cotter") requests an extension of the due date for the SR-13A Mine response to the second adequacy review. Pursuant to a December 3, 2012 letter from you, the due date is now January 4, 2013, and Cotter is requesting an extension until February 4, 2013. Cotter previously requested an extension of the decision due date from January 11, 2013 until February 11, 2013. The extension will allow more time to prepare the response, which is needed due to the holiday season.

Respectfully,

Glen Williams
Vice President, Mining Operations

cc: Russ Means, DRMS