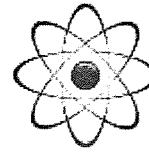


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Mr. Russell Means
Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
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Re: Response to the DRMS Notice of Incomplete Environmental Protection Plans (EPP's);
Permit Site and Numbers: Hawkeye Mine M-1978-311, Ellison Mine M-1978-342,
Burros
Mine M-1977-297 and JD-5 Mine M-1977-248.

Dear Mr. Means,

After careful consideration, and due to Gold Eagle Mining's current inability to fully access the properties listed above pending the outcome of the Department of Energy's (DOE) ongoing Preliminary Environment Impact Assessment (PEIS), we have determined the following course of action. Because the properties are not available for full access in order to properly conduct the studies necessary to fully develop EPP's; and because these mines are not currently active operations, we intend to initiate the reclamation process for all of the above-captioned sites in accordance with the reclamation plans on file with DMRS. Since the DOE prohibits activity on the sites until the issuance of its PEIS, reclamation will begin after the DOE's release of the PEIS, and a full understanding of DOE's finding (this pending any subsequent litigation by intervening parties as a result of DOE's PEIS).

In addition to the initiation of the reclamation process, the above-listed mines and Permits will be placed on Temporary Cessation since active operations have ceased. Accordingly, Notices of Temporary Cessation will be issued within the next 30 days, including the information required by the Rules in this regard.

If you should need additional documentation regarding this matter, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Coram", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Don Coram
Gold Eagle Mining Company

Copy to: Mr. Bob Oswald
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