## STATE OF COLORADO

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Department of Natural Resources

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## Re: Coyote Ridge; DRMS File No. M-2000-052; Technical Revision (TR-01) Preliminary Adequacy Review

Dear Mr. Mangone:

On February 11, 2013 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received a request for a Technical Revision (TR-01) addressing the following:

• Eliminate phased mining/reclamation sequence from mining and reclamation plans

The submittal was called complete for the purpose of filing on February 11, 2013. The decision deadline for TR-01 is **March 13, 2013.** Please be advised that if you are unable to satisfactorily address any concerns identified in this review before the decision date, **it will be your responsibility to request an extension of the review period**. If there are outstanding issues that have not been adequately addressed prior to the end of the review period, and no extension has been requested, the Division will deny this technical revision.

The following comments are based on the Division's review of the Request for Technical Revision TR-01:

- 1) <u>Drawing, Reclamation Plan</u> The Division has identified the following items that need to be addressed in order to evaluate the reclamation plan:
  - a. The reclaimed mine benches show an approximate finished grade elevations five feet lower than the upgradient contour label. Please provide some clarification addressing whether these will be relatively flat benches with some steeper slopes in between or if you intend to have a constant slope between the labeled contours on the reclamation plan. The Division would prefer the latter.
  - b. The southeast corner shows a finished grade of approximately 5455. The 5460 contour almost completely surrounds this bench. Will this bench remain a pit and retain stormwater or will it be free-draining? Please explain why this area appears to be graded to retain stormwater and/or revise the reclamation grading plan to be free-draining.

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If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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