

April 29, 2013

Travis Marshall
Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety
Grand Junction Field Office
101 S. Third St, Suite 301
Grand Junction, Colorado 81501

RE: Request for Extension for Decision Date for JD-9 Mine, Permit No. M-1977-306, Amendment (AM1)

Mr. Marshall:

Cotter Corporation (N.S.L.) ("Cotter") is requesting an extension of the decision due date for the JD-9 Mine Permit Amendment (AM1), Permit No. M-1977-306, from April 30, 2013 until June 27, 2013. Cotter is awaiting responses from the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety to the previously submitted Response to Adequacy Review for the JD-9 Permit Amendment.

If you have further questions regarding this request please call me at Cotter's Nucla office, 970-864-7347.

Respectfully,

Glen Williams

Vice President, Mining Operations