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Mr. Randy McClure
Rio Grande Silver, Inc.
PO Box 610
Creede, CO 81130

Re: East Upper Rat Creek NOI, File P-2011-011, Request for Warranty Release, Revision SL-1, Inspection Postponed, Second Extension of Division's Decision Date

Dear Mr. McClure,

On May 1, 2013 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety extended the decision date for the warranty release request for the NOI named above, due to snowy ground conditions preventing access to the site. Currently, there are intermittent road closures associated with the forest fires near Creede, which make it difficult to schedule the Division's inspection and possibly to access the site. As such, the Division must again postpone the inspection until conditions are safer and access is more consistent. The Division is therefore extending the decision date by 60 days.

The Division's new decision date for the warranty release is set for September 3, 2013. I will contact you prior to the decision date to schedule the release inspection.

If you have questions, I may be reached at the Division's Durango Field Office: 691 CR 233, Room A-2, Durango, CO 81301; telephone 970-247-5193.

Sincerely,

Bob Oswald
Environmental Protection Specialist

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