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## Re: Division Review of Sunday Mine Complex Proposed Low Flow Groundwater Sampling Protocol, Approval to Proceed (for Permits M-1977-285 and M-1980-055 HR)

Dear Ms. Reither,

Thank you for providing the prompt responses to the questions that came up during our review of the preliminary low flow sampling protocols. The Division has found all issues to be adequately addressed, and we are informing you of your approval to proceed according to the plan document (dated June 10, 2013).

The details being approved on this date are part of the Environmental Protection Plans (EPPs) that were previously approved for all of the permitted mines in the Sunday Complex, particularly the Sunday Mine (permit M-1977-285) and the Topaz Mine (permit M-1980-055 HR), upon which permitted area all of the monitoring wells are being constructed. The sampling analyses, however, pertain to all five of the permitted mines' hydrology and satisfy the respective EPP requirements for each mine.

All of the permits in the Sunday Complex are adequately bonded; there is no adjustment to any of the permits' required bond amount that are associated with this approval.

We anticipate further reports from your office regarding the progress in developing the final groundwater monitoring wells, the as-built details, and the periodic lab analyses of future sampling.

If you have further 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,

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