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Russell Means Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety 101 South 3rd Street, Suite 301 Grand Junction, CO., 81501 AUG 2 1 2013 GRAND JUNCTION FIELD OFFICE DIVISION OF RECLAMATION MINING & SAFETY

RE: MTAA LTD., REMOVAL AND RECLAMATION PLAN APACHE MILL TAILINGS, LEADVILLE, COLORADO.

Dear Mr. Russell Means:

Thank you for the time we had on Friday the 9th of August, 2013, with myself and Eddie Duncan. The meeting certainly helped us all. As we discussed there were several pieces of information that you had not previously received that are extremely important to the project, and for you to be able to make a proper judgment on any DMO Permit requirements and/or any other related matters.

To make it perfectly clear there will be no mining on site. The present material is simply the left over Mill Tailing of the Homestead Milling Company that operated on the site from about 1880 to 1941. After sitting there for about 70 years, it is obvious that these Mill Tailing need to be Reclaimed under the Mined Land Reclamation Act.

Further, we will not be bringing to the site, nor storing on the site, nor utilizing or using on the site, any foreign toxic or acidic chemicals. Further, there will be no extractive metallurgical processing on the site. We will simply be Reclaiming the site under the Mined Land Reclamation Board's sole and exclusive Jurisdiction. <u>C.R.S. 34-32-</u> <u>109(6)</u> by the Removal all the material, and Reclaiming the Land.

Your Board's sole and exclusive Jurisdiction to issue Reclamation

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Permits was confirmed by the Colorado Supreme Court January 12, 2009, in the expertly written opinion in <u>Colorado Mining Association v.</u> Board of County Commissioners of Summit County, No. 07SC497.

Our Removal and Reclamation Plan is similar to a Sand and Gravel Operation whereby we simply load the present material onto tarp covered trucks, using a normal loader operation; and to, drive the covered trucks to Gypsum, Colorado, a distance of about 60 miles, where the material will be loaded onto Railroad Cars for transportation out of State. The trucks will operate from 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. at both the Leadville and Gypsum sites. About 10 Railroad Cars will be loaded, twice a day, seven day a week, weather permitting.

I hope that this makes some matter more clear to you, and hopefully answers some if not all questions that you might have concerning the Apache Removal and Reclamation Project. Also, we know that we have to obtain all necessary permits and we have every intention of following all the current laws and regulations.

We are now sending to you the water monitoring information and the Mill Tailings Removal and Reclamation Plan concerning the Natural Occurring Organic Material on our Apache Mill Tailings, OU-7 site, Leadville, Colorado.

Thank you again for all your many considerations.

Sincerely, MICHAEL LAYNE 7/16/2013 Portfolio Manager/Business Manager MTAALTD

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Site Material Removal

Material at the Apache Tailings Site need to be removed from the site in Leadville Colorado and transported to another location for processing and cleanup. The site itself will have not only the tailings removed but material removed below grade at a depth yet to be determined to remove any possible contamination from the site. This will be determined as material is removed and tested at various depths from the site until there is nothing but natural material at whatever depth this occurs. After the material is removed, clean natural fill will be brought in and backfilled at the site until it is back to an acceptable level suitable for other use. A concern at the site will be the prevention of any runoff from the site during the removal of the material. The material is in a wet state similar to mud with no evidence of liquid draining from it when it is placed on a flat surface. It is also our plan to remove as much of the material in as short of a period of time allowable for weather conditions and a minimum of convenience to the City of Leadville. At the remote location a building will be constructed for the processing of the material and conversion to bricks that can be used for construction on other projects. This area will have provisions for drainage and capture of any runoff from the material whether inside or outside and the runoff will be processed and used inside. It is our desire to complete this project as soon and safely as possible to the benefit of the City of Leadville, the environmental concerns and to the benefit of MTAA LTD.

At the site in Leadville a retaining wall approximately three feet tall will be constructed around most of the site except for an entrance for equipment and trucks. Inside the retaining wall will be a lined ditch, lined with at least a 30 mil. liner, two feet deep and three feet wide. This is to catch any water runoff. There will be pumps as needed that will transfer the captured liquid into a tanker to be transported to the remote site for use there. The material is loaded in to side dump trailers with covers on the material for transport. The side dumps are preferable as there is less of a chance of material and liquid loss in this form of transport. As stated before the material is like a thick mud as evidenced from drilling that has taken place on the site. It is our plan to remove as much material daily a feasibly possible and to not inconvenience traffic flow in Leadville or the route to and from the remote location.