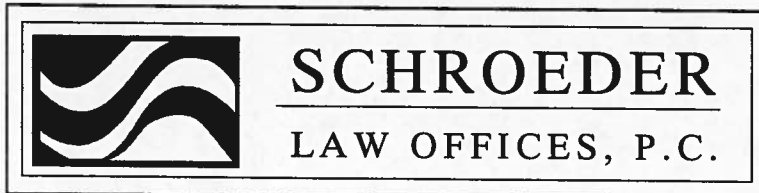


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**RE: Appeal of Mt. Hope Project WPCP NEV2008106**

Dear Commissioners:

Pursuant to NAC 445B.891, and in agreement with the letter of Ms. Cassandra Joseph dated December 20, 2012, Ms. Carolyn Bailey also requests that the SEC waive the 20-day hearing period, but Ms. Bailey not waive her right to a hearing in this matter.

In response to Ms. Joseph's other requests, we would respectfully request that if the SEC orders opening and response briefing in this matter, that a reply also be permitted. Further, we would request that any witness and exhibit list schedule allow Appellant to submit a list of rebuttal witnesses and exhibits no later than 5 days before the hearing date.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

Very truly yours,

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