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John Walker, Executive Secretary
State Environmental Commission
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
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Re: **Big Springs Mine Appeal**
NEV0087001

Dear Mr. Walker:

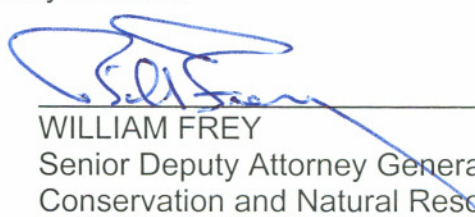
By way of this letter I must inform you, and counsel for the other parties, that I have a trial set to commence in the Ninth Judicial District Court on November 28, 2005, and it is scheduled to last ten days. I waited to notify you of this conflict as there were several motions for summary judgment pending; however, those motions have all been decided and the trial will definitely start as scheduled.

I must request the hearing in the Big Springs matter be rescheduled. I am available anytime after December 15, 2005. If you think it would be helpful, we could conduct a telephone conference with the other parties to accommodate their schedules as well.

Sincere regards,

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