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**Re: Motion to Limit July 6<sup>th</sup> Appeal Hearing and Authorize Attendance By Phone – Big Springs Appeal - NEV0087001**

The above referenced motion, which is attached to this electronic letter, submitted by AngloGold Ashanti on June 29, 2006 has been reviewed by the chairman of the State Environmental Commission's (SEC) appeal panel for the Big Spring Appeal. After reviewing the motion, the SEC appeal panel chairman has authorized me to inform each of you that the motion has been granted.

Please note this action in no way precludes the SEC appeals panel from considering a decision to hear, or not to here, the merits of the appeal at a future time beyond the date of July 6, 2006.

For everyone's information, this electronic letter, the above referenced motion and other related information concerning the Big Springs Appeal is posted on the SEC website at: [http://www.sec.nv.gov/main/big\\_springs\\_appeal05.htm](http://www.sec.nv.gov/main/big_springs_appeal05.htm) .

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