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Appeal Hearing Agenda
Big Springs Reconsideration & Rehearing
Appeal (NEV 0087001)
August 04, 2006

1. Introduction

Identification of parties of interest – for the record

2. Purpose of the Hearing:

The purpose of today's hearing is to consider the Petition for Reconsideration and Rehearing that was filed by the Appellant, Great Basin Mine Watch on July 25, 2006.

That Petition seeks reconsideration of the State Environmental Commission's July 10, 2006 Order, which dismissed the appellant's appeal of a water pollution control permit issued by the Division of Environmental Protection's to AngloGold for the permanent closure of the Big Springs Mine in northern Nevada.

The SEC Order was based on acceptance of a requested Attorney General's Opinion, which found that NRS 233B.127(4) required a public interest group to meet the financial interest requirements established in Nevada law. Accordingly, on July 6th of this year the SEC Panel decided that it did not have jurisdiction to hear the above-entitled appeal, and granted the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's Motion to dismiss the appeal.

3. Issue for Consideration

Does the SEC grant or deny the petition for Reconsideration filed by the Appellant as allowed under NAC 445b.899 (5).

4. Comments from the public -- after the decision has been rendered

5. Adjournment of the appeal hearing

For the record, this hearing is open to the public as required by the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Written notice, stating the time, place, and location of the hearing was given at least three working days before today's date. A copy of the notice was posted outside this building and at three other separate, prominent places within this Commission's jurisdiction. Copies of the notice were mailed to all persons requesting such notice."