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Mr. Lew Dodgion
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Re: September 7, 2007 SEC Meeting

Dear Mr. Dodgion,

Due to a scheduling conflict we will not be able to have a representative of the Nevada Mining Association present at the September 7, 2007 meeting of the State Environmental Commission. Nevertheless, by means of this letter we wish to express our position, for the record, on the following regulatory petitions scheduled to be heard

Support:

Regulation R141-06: Revises Provision Governing the Stabilization of Spent Ore.

Regulation R057-07: Adoption by reference of federal New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) and National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) rules.

Regulation R056-07: Increases fees for the Nevada Mercury Air Emissions Control Program to support two full-time state employees. These employees will be responsible for ensuring compliance with the NMCP.

No Objection:

Regulation R019-07: Mercury Storage regulation amending the Chemical Accident Prevention Program (CAPP).

In closing, we wish to thank Mr. Leo Drozdoff, Administrator, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection for the opportunity to work with his staff on the modifications dealing with the stabilization of spent ore, and being kept informed on the other three petitions.

Sincerely,



Russ Fields
President

cc: Leo Drozdoff, Administrator, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection

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