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September 10, 2020

Mr. Pat Siglin, Exploration Manager, North America Comexico LLC 242 Linden St. Fort Collins, CO 80524

RE: Comments on Comexico Response to Comments on Regular Exploration Application, Tererro Exploration Project, Permit No. SF040ER, Comexico, LLC

Dear Mr. Siglin:

The New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division ("MMD") received a letter from Comexico LLC ("Comexico"), dated August 25, 2020, with responses ("Response Letter") to a MMD comment letter, dated April 27, 2020, on the regular exploration operation application ("Application"). The Application proposes to drill up to thirty (30) drill holes up to 4,000 ft. deep on up to 30 drill pads to explore for copper, gold, zinc, lead and silver in Santa Fe County, New Mexico. The Application is assigned Permit No. SF040ER by MMD, for the Tererro Exploration Project.

MMD is currently reviewing the Response Letter with attachments and will provide Comexico with review comments in the near future. Regarding your response to MMD Comment Number 7 on the Hydrologic Resources Report ("Hydro Report") on page 9 of the Response Letter, pursuant to 19.10.11.1101.E(1) NMAC, MMD, without advanced notice, shall: (1) have the right of entry to, upon or through any mineral exploration, mining operation, or reclamation operation at any time to determine if the permittee is in compliance with permit requirements and conditions;. Therefore, MMD requires Comexico to notify MMD at least 30-days in advance to the start of the exploration project and provide the locations of the first, and subsequent, three to five drill sites chosen for drilling in order to facilitate MMD's inspection of these sites during the exploration project.

MMD provided Comexico with comments on the Application, Hydro Report, and Road Maintenance Plan from state and county agencies attached with the April 27, 2020 comment letter. While Comexico responded to the MMD comments, the Response Letter did not provide specific responses to the comments from the other agencies. Please include responses to the other agency comments along with the updated Application or indicate when Comexico will be submitting the responses to the other agency comments.

MMD looks forward to receiving the updated Application, updated Hydro Report, and updated Road Maintenance Plan by October 1, 2020 as you have stated in your Response Letter.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 216-8945 or at David.Ohori@state.nm.us.

Sincerely,

/s/ David Ohori

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