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**CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

October 2, 2014

Lynn A. Lande  
Chief Environmental Engineer  
Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company  
P.O. Box 10  
Bayard, NM 88023

**RE: Permit Modification 14-2 Deemed Administratively Complete, Proposed 3A Stockpile, Permit No. GR009RE, Chino Mine**

Dear Ms. Lande,

Pursuant to 19.10.5.503 NMAC, the New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division (“MMD”) has determined that an application received by MMD on July 14, 2014, as submitted by Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mining Company (“Chino”), is administratively complete. Pursuant to 19.10.5.505.B, the Director has decided to process the application as a permit modification.

MMD is hereby notifying Chino that the proposed permit modification application 14-2 for the addition of the 3A Stockpile is administratively complete. MMD has solicited and received comments from the reviewing state agencies and has begun technically reviewing the application. If you have any questions, please contact me at 505-476-3438 or via email at: [chris.eustice@state.nm.us](mailto:chris.eustice@state.nm.us).

Sincerely,

Chris Eustice, Permit Lead GR009RE  
Mining Act Reclamation Program (“MARP”)/MMD

**Cc:** Fernando R. Martinez, Director, MMD  
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Mine File GR009RE