

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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March 2, 2016

Mr. Thomas L. Shelley, Manager  
Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company  
P.O. Box 10  
Bayard, NM 88023

**RE: Administratively Complete Application, Revision 16-1 North Lampbright  
Stockpile, New Unit Expansion, Chino Mine, Grant County, New Mexico, Permit  
No. GR009RE**

Dear Mr. Shelley:

The Mining and Minerals Division ("MMD") received a permit application from Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company ("FMI") on January 25, 2016 to revise permit number GR009RE. The application is a proposal to expand the permit beyond current design limits and update the Closure/Closeout Plan ("CCP") to include construction, operation, and reclamation of the North Lampbright Waste Rock Stockpile ("NLS"). The permit application fee was also received by MMD on January 25, 2016. MMD is processing this application as Revision 16-1.

Documentation from FMI pertaining to the public notice for this application was received by MMD on February 11, 2016 and satisfies the requirements of 19.10.9.903 A through H. Based on the documents received to date, MMD has determined that the permit application package for Revision 16-1 is administratively complete. MMD will therefore begin the technical review process which includes requesting comments on the application from various other cooperating agencies.

FMI is hereby directed to fulfill the public notice requirements outlined in 19.10.9.903.I NMAC.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (505) 476-3434 or by email at david.ennis@state.nm.us.

Sincerely,

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Senior Reclamation Specialist  
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cc: Mine File (GR009RE)