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Mr. Eddie Tudor NM State Forestry Division P.O. Box 1948 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1948

Re: Request for Comments on Modification 16-2, Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company,

Chino Mine, Grant County, Permit No. GR009RE

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

Sincerely,

David J. (DJ) Ennis, P.G., Permit Lead Mining Act Reclamation Program (MARP)

cc: Holland Shepherd, Program Manager, MARP

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Ms. Daniela Roth EMNRD-Forestry Division 1220 S. St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

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