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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 17-1 Application, Partial Release of Financial Assurance, Center Mine, Grant County, New Mexico, Permit No. GR028ME

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Dr. Ghassan Musharrafiieh
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Santa Fe, NM 87504-5102

Re: Request for Comments on Modification 17-1 Application, Partial Release of Financial Assurance, Center Mine, Grant County, New Mexico, Permit No. GR028ME

Dear Dr. Musharrafiieh,

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Dr. Matthew Wunder
NM Department of Game and Fish
P.O. Box 25112
Santa Fe, NM 87504

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Mr. Bob Estes
Department of Cultural Affairs, Historic Preservation Division
407 Galisteo St., Suite 236
Santa Fe, NM 87501

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Mr. Joseph Navarro
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Las Cruces, NM 88005

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Ms. Daniela Roth
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Santa Fe, NM 87505

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NMED Ground Water Quality Bureau
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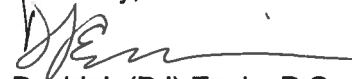
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