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Ms. Leighandra Keeven
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Re: Request for Agency Comments on Financial Assurance Proposal, Copper Flat Mine, Sierra County, New Mexico, Permit Tracking No. SI027RN:

Dear Ms. Keeven,

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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,

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Mining Act Reclamation Program (MARP)

cc: Mine File (SI027RN)

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