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March 1, 2019

Ms. Sherry Burt-Kested, Manager  
Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company  
P.O. Box 10  
Bayard, NM 88023

**RE: Financial Assurance Cost Estimate Schedule, Chino Mine, Grant County, New Mexico, Permit No. GR009RE**

Dear Ms. Burt-Kested:

The Mining and Minerals Division ("MMD") has received the letter from Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company ("Chino") dated February 26, 2019, providing a schedule for submittal of the financial assurance cost estimate for the Chino Mine. The schedule calls for Chino's submittal of the cost estimate on or before March 20, 2019, which is acceptable to MMD.

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

Sincerely,

David J. (DJ) Ennis, P.G., Permit Lead  
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cc: Mine File (GR009RE)  
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