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August 19, 2019

Chairman Timothy Nuvangyaoma
Hopi Tribe
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Kykotsmovi, AZ 86039

Re: Request for Comments on Minimal Impact Exploration Permit Application, MOI Peru Mill Tailings Project, Luna County, New Mexico, Permit No. LU038EM

Dear Chairman Nuvangyaoma,

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President Arthur "Butch" Blazer
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Mescalero, NM 88340

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