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

Re: Request for Comments on Modification 19-1 Application, Partial Release of Financial Assurance on 7.15 Acres of Reclamation, T19N, R6W, Section 12, Brie I Mine, McKinley County, New Mexico, Permit No. MK039MN

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Mr. Jeff Lewellin NMED Ground Water Quality Bureau P.O. Box 5469 Santa Fe, NM 87502-5469

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Ms. Laura McCarthy NM State Forestry Division P.O. Box 1948 Santa Fe, NM 87504-1948

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Dr. Ghassan Musharrafieh Office of the State Engineer P.O. Box 25102 Santa Fe, NM 87504-5102

Re: Request for Comments on Modification 19-1 Application, Partial Release of Financial Assurance on 7.15 Acres of Reclamation, T19N, R6W, Section 12, Brie I Mine, McKinley County, New Mexico, Permit No. MK039MN

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Mr. Rick Reycraft
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407 Galisteo St., Suite 236
Santa Fe, NM 87501

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