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By Email: Clinton.Chisler@state.nm.us

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State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department
Director, Mining and Minerals Division
1220 South Saint Francis Drive
Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505

Re: Part 3 Minimal Impact Exploration Operation Permit Number GR082EM; Kennecott Exploration Company; Grant County; Request for Extension

Mr. Chisler:

Kennecott Exploration Company (“Kennecott”) has Permit Number GR082EM (“Permit”) issued from the Mining and Minerals Division of the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, with an effective date of August 8, 2019, issued for one year.

During the Spring of 2020, while Kennecott has engaged in exploration activities subject to the Permit, the work was not completed. Kennecott is anticipating a resumption of the work in the Fall of 2020, dependent upon internal budgets and COVID 19 restrictions. Since the Permit is likely to expire during the resumption of activity period, Kennecott would like to extend the term for an additional year past August 8, 2020.. For clarification, Kennecott is requesting a one-year extension of the Permit, from August 8, 2020 thru August 8, 2021, with no other modifications to the Permit requested.

I understand that a letter request for extension is necessary together with a renewal fee of \$500.00 (to be sent separately)

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the application, please do not hesitate to contact me at (801) 363-5870.

Sincerely,

KENNECOTT EXPLORATION COMPANY



Erik Best
Land Manager

cc. C. Roberts
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