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September 9, 2020

Richard Reycraft, Ph.D., Archaeologist
Historic Preservation Division
NM Department of Cultural Affairs
407 Galisteo Street, Suite 236
Santa Fe, NM 87503

RE: Request for Review and Comment, Regular Existing Mine Modification Application for release (“Mod. 18-1”), Imerys/American Minerals; Deming Jigging Site, Luna Co., NM Permit Tracking No. LU001RE

Dear Dr. Reycraft:

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Clint Chisler, Permit Lead – Permit LU001RE
Mining Act Reclamation Program (“MARP”)/MMD

cc: Holland Shepherd, Program Manager, MARP/MMD
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Dr. Matthew Wunder, Chief
Conservation Services Division/New Mexico Department of Game and Fish
PO Box 25112
Santa Fe, NM 87504

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Anne Maurer, Mining Act Team Leader
Mining Environmental Compliance Section/NMED - Groundwater Quality Bureau
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Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502-5469

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Dear Ms. Maurer:

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Ghassan Musharrafieh, Chief
Office of the State Engineer/ Hydrology Bureau
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Santa Fe, NM 87504-5102

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Dear Mr. Musharrafieh:

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Daniella Roth, Botanist
NM State Forestry Division
New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department
Post Office Box 1948
Santa Fe, NM 87504-1948

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