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September 16, 2020

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

**RE: Request for Comments on Modification 20-1 to Permit LU038EM, Peru Mill Tailings Exploration, Gila Mining, Luna County**

Dear Ms. McCarthy,

On September 4, 2020 the Mining and Minerals Division ("MMD") received an application from Gila Mining, LLC requesting a modification to the Peru Mill Tailings Exploration permit. The application for modification requests to excavate no more than 999 yd<sup>3</sup> of material from the tailings piles. MMD is processing the permit application as Modification 20-1 to Permit No. LU038EM.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 470-5354 or by e-mail at [jennifere.johnson@state.nm.us](mailto:jennifere.johnson@state.nm.us).

Sincerely,

Jenn Johnson  
Permit Lead  
Mining Act Reclamation Program (MARP)

cc: Holland Shepherd, MARP Program Manager  
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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 20-1 to Permit LU038EM, Peru Mill Tailings Exploration, Gila Mining, Luna County**

Dear Dr. Musharrafieh,

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Dr. Matthew Wunder  
NM Department of Game and Fish  
P.O. Box 25112  
Santa Fe, NM 87504

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Dear Dr. Wunder,

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Mr. Rick Reycraft  
Department of Cultural Affairs, Historic Preservation Division  
407 Galisteo St., Suite 236  
Santa Fe, NM 87501

**RE: Request for Comments on Modification 20-1 to Permit LU038EM, Peru Mill Tailings Exploration, Gila Mining, Luna County**

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September 16, 2020

Ms. Anne Maurer  
NMED Ground Water Quality Bureau  
P.O. Box 5469  
Santa Fe, NM 87502-5469

**RE: Request for Comments on Modification 20-1 to Permit LU038EM, Peru Mill Tailings Exploration, Gila Mining, Luna County**

Dear Ms. Maurer,

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