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Rocky Torgrimson
Dicalite Management Group Inc., Socorro Mine & Mill
36994 Summit Lake Rd
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RE: Comment Letter: Slope Stability Analysis Timeline and Borehole Map, Socorro Mine and Mill Revision 19-1 Application, Permit No. SO001RE – Socorro County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Torgrimson,

Dicaperl Mineral Corp. (“Dicaperl”) submitted a slope stability timeline and a map with proposed drilling locations to the Mining and Minerals Division (“MMD”) on October 5, 2020. MMD has the following comments regarding these submittals:

1. MMD is concerned that the proposed boreholes shown on Figure C-1 dated September 2020 and submitted with the Slope Stability Analysis Timeline do not fall within the Proposed Quarry Expansion Location. MMD requests the CDM Smith Geotechnical Engineer review the proposed borehole locations on Figure C-1, describe in writing how their locations were chosen and how they will support slope stability analysis of the Proposed Quarry Expansion, and add additional borehole locations in the Quarry Expansion Area as required for slope stability analysis.
2. The Slope Stability Analysis calculation package derived from this investigation, once approved, should be signed and stamped by a licensed PE in the State of New Mexico.

Please provide a response to these comments within 30 days of receipt of this letter. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (505) 470-5354 or email me at jennifere.johnson@state.nm.us.

Sincerely,

Jenn Johnson, Permit Lead
Mining Act Reclamation Program (“MARP”)

cc: Allen Norris, Plant Manager, Dicaperl Minerals Corporation
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Mine File (SO001RE)