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Terry Jensen Gila Mining LLC 201 W. Spruce St P.O. Box 444 Deming, New Mexico 88030

RE: Administratively Complete Application, Deming Alpha Mine, New Minimal Impact Mine Permit Application, Permit No. LU042MN

Dear Mr. Jensen,

Pursuant to §19.10.3.304 NMAC, the New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division has determined that a New Minimal Impact Mine Permit Application ("Application") submitted on February 12, 2021 is administratively complete. The application was submitted by Gila Mining LLC ("Gila Mining") for its Deming Alpha Mine located approx. 4 miles N of Deming, NM in Luna County New Mexico. Because Gila Mining has agreed not to exceed 10 acres of total disturbance at any one time, MMD is processing this application as a new minimal impact mine permit pursuant to §19.10.3.304 (A) NMAC.

MMD is hereby notifying you that it has determined that the proposed New Minimal Impact Mine Permit Application for Deming Alpha Mine, Permit Tracking No. LU042MN is administratively complete. MMD will now distribute the application to other reviewing state, federal and tribal agencies to begin technically reviewing the application pursuant to 19.10.3.304 (H) NMAC. If you have any questions please contact me at (505) 470-5354 or at jennifere.johnson@state.nm.us.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Johnson

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

cc: Holland Shepherd, Program Manager, MARP Mine File (LU042MN)