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July 7, 2021

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
Attn: Clinton Chisler

Re: Extension Request; Part 3 Minimal Impact Exploration Operation Permit GR082EM-

R1; Kennecott Exploration Company; Grant County

Mr. Chisler:

Kennecott Exploration Company ("Kennecott") has Permit Number GR 082EM-R1 ("Permit") issued from the Mining and Minerals Division of the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, with an expiry date of August 8, 2021.

Due to COVID concerns from 2020/2021, Kennecott was not able to conduct the planned exploration activities. Therefore, Kennecott is seeking a one year extension request from the State of New Mexico for the permitted activities. For clarification, Kennecott is requesting a one-year extension of the Permit, from August 8, 2021 thru August 8, 2022, with no other modifications to the Permit requested.

Kennecott is enclosing a check in the amount of \$500 for the renewal request.

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

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