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August 23, 2021

Carmen Rose
Sr. Reclamation Specialist
Mining and Minerals Division
Mining Act Reclamation Program
1220 S. St. Francis Drive
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**RE: South Pit Minimal Impact Operation Permit No. SA004MN – Application for Permit Modification
Response to MMD Request for Additional Information**

Dear Ms. Rose:

The Espanola Mercantile Company (TEMC) received a letter from the New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division (MMD) dated August 18, 2021 that was titled *Agency Review Comments and Request for Additional Information, Copar South Pit Mine, Permit No. SA004MN Modification 21-1 Application, Sandoval County, New Mexico*. The letter stated "MMD will require TEMC to meet a minimum live vegetation standard of 35% ground cover in addition to the proposed minimum total (live vegetation and litter) standard of 50% ground cover for release of the vegetation portion of the reclamation bond." TEMC agrees to the proposed permit condition requirements.

If you have any questions or need additional information please contact Matt Lane, Environmental Manager at mlane@espmmerc.com or (505) 490-0887.

Best Regards,



Katharine Fishman
President
The Española Mercantile Company