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DNA Enterprise Services, LLC Attn: Mr. David Corelis 1760 State Highway 14N Sandia Park, NM 87047

RE: Exploration Permit Renewal Approval; Corelis Exploration Project, Permit No. SF038EM-R3

Dear Mr. Corelis:

The New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division ("MMD") received your request for renewal of the Corelis Exploration Project, Permit No. SF038EM, dated December 20, 2021. This letter acknowledges the renewal of the Exploration Permit for the Corelis Exploration Project, Permit No. SF038EM. The number for the renewal will be SF038EM-R3. DNA Enterprise Services, LLC is authorized to conduct mineral exploration and reclamation operations only on those lands specifically designated and authorized as the permit area, located in Township 12 North, Range 7 East, Sections 21 and 22 in Santa Fe County, New Mexico.

Based on the renewal request, there are no changes in the project scope or areas of disturbance from the original application. Additionally, the renewal request states that Permittee has explored an approximate 150-yard area on the Old Coming Frazion claim, and that rolling reclamation has been implemented though backfilling of the majority of the trenched areas.

## **History:**

- The approved scope of work is described in Permit No. SF038EM, which was approved by MMD on March 11, 2019.
- Permit No. SF038EM-R1 was issued on April 9, 2020.
- Permit No. SF038EM-R2 was issued on April 6, 2021.

## **Findings of Fact:**

- 1. The application for renewal is complete and states that there are no changes to the project scope of work or financial assurance instruments or amount, and will meet the requirements of reclamation, as identified in Section §19.10.4.405.C of the New Mexico Mining Act Rules ("Rules").
- 2. The Permittee has paid the permit application fee in the amount of \$500.00, as determined by Part 2 of the Rules.
- 3. The Permittee has no outstanding violations of the New Mexico Mining Act or §19.10 NMAC.

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- 4. The Permittee has provided satisfactory financial assurance ("FA"), in accordance with §19.12.1201.A of the Rules, in the amount of \$10,409.00 (ten thousand four hundred nine dollars). FA has been posted in the form of a Certificate of Deposit No. 6395264325, by Wells Fargo of Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- 5. The Permittee has indicated that there has been no change in the amount of proposed disturbance within the proposed permit area or any changes to the exploration plans.
- 6. The Permittee has indicated that they agree to comply with the reclamation requirements of the permit, Part 3 of the Rules, and the New Mexico Mining Act. The Permittee also agrees to allow the Director to enter the permit area, without delay, for the purpose of conducting inspections during exploration and reclamation.
- 7. The Permittee shall comply with all requirements, obligations and conditions and shall conduct mining and reclamation operations at the Corelis Exploration Project only as described within approved Permit No. SF038EM.
- 8. The Bureau of Land Management processed the extension under Notice NM-137842, which remains in effect.
- 9. The Permittee has provided to MMD, as part of the PAP, a statement of the basis upon which Permittee has the right-to-enter the permit area for the purpose of conducting mining and reclamation. MMD does not, by issuing this permit renewal or otherwise, confirm, deny or make any comment on the surface or mineral rights that the Permittee may or may not have in the permit area. This permit does not grant or create any property rights. Permittee is solely responsible to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that Permittee has property rights sufficient to support the activities authorized by this permit.

This permit renewal is valid for a period of not more than one year from the date of SF038EM (§19.10.4.405.A(1) NMAC), therefore the new expiration date is March 11, 2023.

At the conclusion of the project, Permittee is required to file a termination report in accordance with §19.10.4.407 of the Rules. If Permittee decides to continue exploration activities beyond that period, Permittee must renew the permit at least 30 days before the date of expiration date, in accordance with §19.10.4.405.C(2) NMAC.

If you have any questions, please contact David (DJ) Ennis of my staff, at (505) 372-8634 or via e-mail at david.ennis@state.nm.us.

By Order of the Director,

Jerry Schoeppner, Director Mining and Minerals Division

cc: Holland Shepherd, Program Manager, MARP Christopher Wenmen, BLM Farmington/Taos Field Office Mine File No. SF038EM