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NM Mining & Minerals Dept.
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Subject: LAC Closure/Closeout plan before the NM MMD of the NM
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Dept.

Dear Sir/Madam:

This public comment concerns revisions to the LAC Closure/Closeout Plan. The Madrid Landowners' Association ("MLA") agrees with and supports the report and recommendations prepared by Jim Kuiper for Friends of Santa Fe County concerning Revision 20-1 and the Pit Waiver.

The MLA agrees that this should not be a walk-away project. The revised CCP should call for a long-term regularly scheduled post-reclamation monitoring and maintenance program for the next 100 years, together with adequate financial assurance for the next 100 years to fund such a maintenance program rather than a mitigation-after-occurrence approach, as well as regularly scheduled monitoring of water quality.

Thank You,

Board of Directors
Madrid Landowners' Association