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Samantha Kretz  
GCC Rio Grande, Inc.  
Tijeras Mine and Mill  
P.O. Box 100  
Tijeras, NM, 87059

**RE: Application Administratively Complete, Tijeras Mine and Mill, Updated  
Closure/Closeout Plan, Revision 23-1, Permit No. BE001RE**

Dear Mrs. Kretz,

The New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division (“MMD”) received an application to Revise Permit No. **BE001RE** Tijeras Mine and Mill on June 12th, 2023, from GCC Rio Grande, Inc. (“GCC”) titled, “Revision Application for The Mine Closeout Plan at GCC Rio Grande Tijeras Mine and Mill” (“Application”). Pursuant to §19.10.9.903 NMAC GCC submitted proof of public notice via email on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and received the Permit Revision fee on June 23rd, 2023. MMD has assigned Revision 23-1 to process the Application.

MMD has conducted a review of the Revision 23-1 Application and hereby deems the application to be administratively complete pursuant to §19.10.5.506.D NMAC. In accordance with §19.10.9.903.I NMAC, GCC shall notify the people who have indicated to MMD that they desire information regarding the application and those individuals and organizations that are on a list maintained by MMD who have requested notice of applications that have been deemed administratively complete. GCC shall notify these parties in writing and by first class mail. A list of those individuals and organizations is attached. GCC shall provide MMD with timely proof that the required notifications have been made.

MMD will be sending request for comment letters to the state agencies for the Revision 23-1 Application pursuant to §19.10.5.506.E NMAC. The agencies will have 60 days in which to provide comments, excluding approved time extensions.

Please contact me at (505) 490-0967 or at [Alaina.osimowicz@emnrd.nm.gov](mailto:Alaina.osimowicz@emnrd.nm.gov) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

*Alaina Osimowicz*

Alaina Osimowicz, Permit Lead  
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Enclosure: List of Interested Parties

CC: David (DJ) Ennis, Program Manager, MARP, MMD