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Ms. Amber Rheubottom
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Santa Fe, NM 87502-5469

RE: Request for NMED Comments on Southwest Lampbright Waste-Rock Stockpile Buttress, Modification 24-1, Chino Mine, Grant County, Permit No. GR009RE

Dear Ms. Rheubottom,

On June 26, 2024, the Mining and Minerals Division (“MMD”) of the New Mexico Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Department received the document *Modification Request to Permit No. GR009RE – Southwest Lampbright Waste Rock Stockpile Buttress* (“Application”). This Application was submitted to MMD to modify the Closure / Closeout Plan to include the construction of the Southwest Lampbright Waste-Rock Stockpile Buttress. This change to Permit No. GR009RE is considered a modification and has been designated Modification 24-1.

In accordance with §19.10.5.505.B(3) and §19.10.5.506.E NMAC, MMD requests that your agency review the Application and provide comments within sixty (60) days of receipt of this letter. A copy of the Application can be found on the MMD website at <https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/mmd/gr009re-chino-mine-sw-lampbright-stockpile-buttress/>

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 470-5354, or via email at kevin.barnes@emnrd.nm.gov.

Sincerely,

Kevin Barnes, Permit Lead
Mining Act Reclamation Program (“MARP”)

Cc: Joseph Fox, Program Manager, Ground Water Quality Bureau, NMED
Mine File (GR009RE)

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Dr. Katie Zemlick
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Santa Fe, NM 87504-5102

RE: Request for NMED Comments on Southwest Lampbright Waste-Rock Stockpile Buttress, Modification 24-1, Chino Mine, Grant County, Permit No. GR009RE

Dear Dr. Zemlick,

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Dr. Virginia Seamster
NM Department of Game and Fish
1 Wildlife Way
Santa Fe, NM 87507

RE: Request for NMED Comments on Southwest Lampbright Waste-Rock Stockpile Buttress, Modification 24-1, Chino Mine, Grant County, Permit No. GR009RE

Dear Dr. Seamster,

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Ms. Cortney Wands
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Santa Fe, NM 87501

RE: Request for NMED Comments on Southwest Lampbright Waste-Rock Stockpile Buttress, Modification 24-1, Chino Mine, Grant County, Permit No. GR009RE

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Ms. Erika Rowe
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Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: Request for NMED Comments on Southwest Lampbright Waste-Rock Stockpile Buttress, Modification 24-1, Chino Mine, Grant County, Permit No. GR009RE

Dear Ms. Rowe,

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