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January 7, 2025

Andrew Watson
Lancaster Lithium Inc.
2569 Marine Drive
West Vancouver, BC Canada

**RE: Pending Denial and Notice of Inactivity Lithium Brine Phase 1 – Lancaster Lithium LLC.
Permit No. HI023EM –Hildago County, New Mexico**

Mr. Watson:

On April 25, 2024, the New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division (MMD) provided Lancaster Lithium the Technically Approvable Letter and Financial Assurance request on a permit application for a minimal impact exploration – Alkali Flats Lithium Brine Phase 1 (Application) from Lancaster Lithium (Applicant), MMD Permit No. HI023EM, located in Hildago County, New Mexico. Due to the inactivity of this permit application extending beyond six months, MMD requests a proposed financial assurance within 30 days of receipt of this letter. MMD policy is to provide an application for a maximum of six months in order to allow the operator time to respond to any deficiencies and secure funding for financial assurance. If Financial Assurance is not provided, the Application for HI023EM will be denied. Alternatively, you may make a written request to withdraw the Application.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 505-490-6116 at samantha.rynas@emnrd.nm.gov.

Sincerely,

Samantha Rynas – Permit Lead
Mining Act Reclamation Program (“MARP”)
New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division

CC : DJ Ennis, Program Manager, MARP
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Mine File (HI023EM)