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Diane Nowlin Tafoya Cibola National Forest 2113 Osuna NE Albuquerque, NM 87113

RE: BIOLOGICAL SURVEY REPORT MINE DEWATERING PIPELINE ROUTE ROCA HONDA MINE

Dear Ms. Tafoya:

Enclosed for your use and distribution are four (4) copies of a report titled "Results of the Biological Survey of the Roca Honda Reuse Pipeline Route" prepared by SWCA Environmental Consultants. This report presents the results of a reconnaissance-level survey along the proposed mine dewatering pipeline route to determine the similarities, consistencies, or differences, if any, of the biota along the pipeline corridor with the biota at the Roca Honda mine project as presented in the RHR Baseline Data Report. The report was performed at the request of the USFS in support of its EIS NEPA analysis for the Roca Honda mine

I have provided sufficient copies for your distribution to Mangi and have distributed copies to others and indicated below. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Juan R. Velasquez

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