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February 21, 2014

Michelle Ensey  
Historic Preservation Division  
Department of Cultural Affairs  
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Santa Fe, NM 87501

RE: Request for Comments, Regular Existing Mine Permit Application, Southwest Resources, Inc.,  
Section 11/12 Mine, Permit Application No. MK046RE

Dear Ms. Ensey:

The New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division ("MMD") has received a submittal from Southwest Resources, Inc. ("SRI") dated January 31, 2014 in support of permitting the existing Section 11/12 uranium mine at Ambrosia Lake in McKinley County, New Mexico (Permit Application MK046RE). MMD reviewed the application and deemed it administratively complete on February 18, 2014.

The proposed 15-acre permit area is located in the southwest quarter, Section 12, Township 14 North, Range 10 West and in the northeast quarter of the south half of Section 11, Township 14 North, Range 10 West. The Section 11/12 Mine is an existing underground mine that operated in 1959 and 1962 and from 1974 to 1982. The mine did not encounter groundwater, and proposed uranium mining operations do not involve dewatering. Ore would be mined upon market order, minimizing storage, and ore would be processed off site. New construction is not necessary, beyond improved management of runoff and erosion from previously disturbed areas.

MMD requests that you provide comments within 60 days after receipt of this letter. A copy of the Section 11/12 permit application is enclosed for your review. The permit application may also be viewed on the MMD website at:

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 476-3416 or by email at: [david.clark@state.nm.us](mailto:david.clark@state.nm.us).

Sincerely,

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cc: Mine File MK046RE

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Conservation Division  
Department of Game and Fish  
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Santa Fe, NM 87504

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Tony Delfin, Director  
Forestry Division  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department  
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