

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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January 26, 2018

Katharine C. Fishman, Registered Agent  
The Espanola Mercantile Company  
1302 N. Riverside Drive  
Espanola, New Mexico 87532

RE: Modification Request to Transfer Copar Pumice Mining Co. Permit SA004MN and SA001RE and Replace Financial Assurance.

Dear Mrs. Fishman,

Pursuant to 19.10.8.802 NMAC, the New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division has determined that your Permit Transfer Application ("application") submitted on January 25, 2018 is administratively complete. The application was submitted by The Espanola Mercantile Company requesting the transfer of Permits SA004MN and SA001RE, the South Pit Mine and the El Cajete/Los Conchas Mine respectively, to be transferred from the Copar Pumice Mining Company to The Espanola Mercantile Company.

MMD is hereby notifying you that it has determined that the proposed Permit Transfer application is administratively complete. MMD also accepts the Permit Transfer fees of \$250.00 for each mine totaling \$500.00 rather than the \$1,250.00 in Modification fees. This is pursuant to 19.10.2.201 NMAC. Once the proper Financial Assurance is in place and approved by the Director of MMD, MMD will move forward on issuing the Permit Transfer. If you have any questions, please contact me at 505-476-3413 or via e-mail at: [clinton.chisler@state.nm.us](mailto:clinton.chisler@state.nm.us).

Sincerely,

Clint Chisler, Permit Lead - Permit Tracking No. SA004MN, SA001RE

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cc: Fernando Martinez, Director, MMD  
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Larry Gore, U.S.F.S – Santa Fe National Forest