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Subject: MMD Comments on Little Rock Mine Revision 20-1 Cost Estimate

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Hi Tom and Mandy,

MMD has reviewed the Little Rock Mine Reclamation Cost Estimate dated February 12, 2021 and has the following specific comments on the Stockpile Earthwork spreadsheet:

- 1. In the "Equipment" tab the NMDOL Operator Group column BR for rows 14 and 18 should be Operator VII not VI because section 11.1.2.18.AG(2) "Power equipment operators-group VII" of the NMAC states "Front end loader (over 10 cubic yards): Operates a rubber tired or crawler-type tractor with an attached bucket on front end. Machine is used to load materials from stockpiles, excavation, charging batch plants, loading trucks. May oil, grease, or otherwise service and make necessary adjustments to equipment as needed."
- 2. Section 11.1.2.18.AD "Power equipment operators-group IV" does not include motor graders therefore the NMDOL Operator Group column BR for rows 19 and 20 should be changed in the "Equipment" tab. Motor graders are under sections 11.1.2.18.AF.5 "Power operators-group VI" and 11.1.2.18.AH.10 "Power operators-group VIII" depending on whether the motor grader is used for rough or final grading.
- 3. Please cite the NMAC or explain why Equipment Operator VI was chosen for the Hitachi EX3600-5 in the "Equipment" tab.
- 4. Please cite the NMAC or explain why Truck Driver III was chosen for Cat 769D, Cat 725, Komatsu 730E, Cat 777F, Cat 740, Off-Hwy Water Tanker 6,000-gal and 10,000-gal in "Equipment" tab.

Please review the above comments and provide a response within 30-days of receipt. MMD may have additional comments on the Reclamation Cost Estimate in the future.

Contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks.

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