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November 14, 2008

Mr. James R. Deutsch
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Public Service Commission
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RE: Gascoyne Mine – Permit KRGC-8101
Final Bond Release #5

Dear Mr. Deutsch:

Submitted herewith please find five copies of revised or updated text pages and maps in response to the comments contained in your Secondary Review letter dated August 18, 2008. The following information responds directly to each of those items.

ITEM 1: Attachment 4 – Letters of Notification

Three copies of all the letters that were mailed to surface and adjacent surface owners are enclosed for inclusion bond release application copies to the Reclamation Division and OSM.

ITEM 2: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

Management of the Grasset property is discussed in the History section of Attachment 7.

ITEM 3: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

A discussion of Pond 10 cattle usage was added to the narrative.

ITEM 4: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

A reference to the waterway calculations in the permit has been added to the narrative.

ITEM 5: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

Table 7 has been updated to accurately reflect yield standards shown on Table 6.

ITEM 6: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

A footnote was added to the bottom of Table 7 indicating statistics were used.

ITEM 7: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

Respread depth data has been included on Exhibit 7.1 and addressed in the narrative.

ITEM 8: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

The reference has been corrected to read Exhibit 7.3

ITEM 9: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

A reference was added indicating location of transects for this tract are found on Exhibit 7.2.

ITEM 10: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

Exhibit 7.5 has been referenced on page 8 to indicate sample locations.

ITEM 11: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

The 2 acres of undisturbed land have been further delineated on Exhibit 7.1.

ITEM 12: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

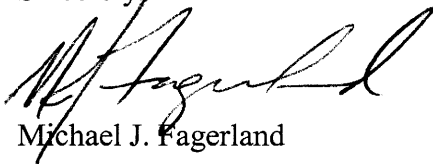
A reference to the data collector has been integrated into the narrative and applicable Tables.

ITEM 13: Attachment 7 – Supporting Narrative

A clarifying statement on water resources was added to page 4 of the narrative.

Should you or your staff have any questions on the information contained herein, please contact the Bismarck Office.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Fagerland

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