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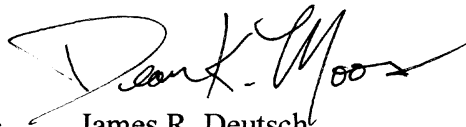
Dear Mr. Crooke:

The Reclamation Division has reviewed the worst case bond estimate for Revision 20 to Permit NAFK-9503 and determined that the minimum bond amount is \$60,214,264 for the consolidated bond area at the Falkirk Mine.

As we previously discussed, the necessary bonding instruments to increase the current bond to no less than \$60,214,264 will need to be submitted prior to approval of Revision 20.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

  
for James R. Deutsch  
Director  
Reclamation Division

cc: Nancy Jensen, North American Properties Company

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