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January 30, 2014

Mr. Donn Steffan
Environmental Manager
Coyote Creek Mining Company
2000 Schafer Street, Suite D
Bismarck, ND 58501-1264

Dear Mr. Steffan:

We have reviewed the revised worst-case bond calculations that were e-mailed to us on January 29, 2014 for Permit NACC-1301 for the Coyote Creek Mine. The proposed minimum bond amount of \$666,171 was determined adequate for this permit area. A surety bond, self-bond, or collateral bond, or combination thereof, of at least this amount must be filed with the Commission before this permit can be approved. The bond must include a legal description of the 84.24 acre area covered by the bond. Also, we are still awaiting a response to our January 27th letter and updated DVD's of the permit application with those changes.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James R. Deutsch".

James R. Deutsch
Director
Reclamation Division

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