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Jonathan Emmer
Director Reclamation Division
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Dear Mr. Emmer:

The following is in response to NOV 2301 December 11, 2023. Westmoreland Beulah Mining (WBM) is requesting an *Informal Conference* to preserve our right of appeal. Westmoreland Beulah Mining (WBM) requests that the informal conference be held at the mine. WBM also would like to waive stenographic recording of the conference. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Jesse Noel, P.E.
Director, Environmental & Regulatory Affairs
Westmoreland Mining LLC

Cc: Juris Ore, Nettie Ore, T. Briggs