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December 5, 2014

Mr. Joe Lister, Mine Manager
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RE: Application Administratively Complete, Mt. Taylor Mine, Application to Renew Standby Status, Revision 14-1, Permit No. CI002RE

Dear Mr. Lister,

The New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division (“MMD”) received a submittal from Rio Grande Resources Corporation (“RGR”) titled, “Application for Renewal of Standby, Mine Permit CI002RE, Mt. Taylor Mine, San Mateo, New Mexico”, dated October 12, 2014 (“Application”). MMD has assigned Revision 14-1 to process the Application. In addition, MMD received a submittal, dated October 16, 2014, including the proof of public notice as required by 19.10.9.903 NMAC that supplements the Revision 14-1 Application.

MMD has conducted a review of the Revision 14-1 Application and hereby deems the application to be administratively complete pursuant to 19.10.5.506.D NMAC. In accordance with 19.10.9.902.I NMAC, RGR shall notify the people who have indicated to MMD that they desire information regarding the application and those individuals and organizations that are on a list maintained by MMD who have requested notice of applications that have been deemed administratively complete. RGR shall notify these parties in writing by first class mail. A list of those individuals and organizations is attached. RGR shall provide MMD with timely proof that the required notifications have been made.

MMD is sending request for comment letters to the state agencies for the Revision 14-1 Application pursuant to 19.10.5.506.E NMAC. The agencies will have 60 days in which to provide comments, excluding approved time extensions.

Please contact me at (505) 476-3432 or at David.Ohori@state.nm.us if you have any questions.

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Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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