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Mr. Kevin C. Myers, Hydrologist Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD) Mining Act Reclamation Program (MARP) Mining and Minerals Division (MMD) 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Dear Mr. Myers:

Re: <u>Deming Tailings Impoundment –</u> <u>Permit No. LU008RE 2024 Proposed Maintenance Work Plan</u>

Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company (Chino) submits the following maintenance work plan for the Deming Tailings Impoundment per a February 29, 2024, request from MMD.

- Haul 3,000 cubic yards of Gila Conglomerate from Hurley to the Deming Tailings Impoundment. Gila Conglomerate will originate from the B/C Borrow Area located south of Hurley and west of the reclaimed Tailings Pond 1. This borrow material has previously been approved by the agencies as a tailing's reclamation cover material.
- Transport Gila Conglomerate to areas shown on Figure 1, Areas to be Covered with Gila Conglomerate.
- Place and grade Gila Conglomerate with small equipment to ensure minimal disturbance to surrounding areas. Depths of Gila Conglomerate will vary from 6 to 12 inches.
- Distribute pre-approved seed mix and mulch by hand.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (575) 694-0013 or Christian Krueger at (575) 912-5309.

Sincerely,

Tyler R. Johnson

Tyler R. Johnson, Chief Engineer Environmental Services

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