



September 4, 2024

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department
Mining and Minerals Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM
87505

Attention: Mr. Kevin J. Barnes, Reclamation Manager

Dear Sirs:

**Re: Gila Mining, LLC
Deming Alpha Mine
Permit No. LU042MN**

Further to our discussion on September 3, 2024, this letter confirms the change in senior management in Gila Mining, LLC (Gila) and Gila's intention to proceed with providing full financial assurance for Permit No. LU042MN.

In the past several months, Gila has undergone reorganization and refinancing. Mr. Mark Reese is now the President and CEO and Mr. Sam Gauvreau is now the Vice President. As a result of this reorganization, the letter from New Mexico Mining and Minerals division (MMD), dated May 21, 2024, dealing with the Notice of Pending Denial of Minimal Impact Mine Application, was not received by the current management of Gila. The letter was only discovered through an online search of the MMD correspondence pertaining to Gila on September 3, 2024.

It is Gila's intent to provide full financial assurance for Permit No. LU042MN in the amount of \$61,326.59. Gila commits to providing this financial assurance to MMD within 45 days.

We appreciate MMD's understanding as we work to rectify this situation. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions or concerns.

Yours Truly,

Sam Gauvreau, P.Eng.
Vice President

c.c. Mark Reese, President, Gila Mining, LLC

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