

DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENT and NATURAL RESOURCES

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Daniel Hoff 2514 Shad Street Rapid City, SD 57703-6489

Dear Mr. Hoff:

We received your Exploration Notice of Intent on July 30, 2018. Please note you will not be able to commence operations until the following items have been addressed.

- 1. SDCL 45-6C-16: You will need to submit an approved Plan of Operations from the US Forest Service to show you have consulted and come to agreement with the agency in regards to the proposed reclamation plan and access to the site.
- 2. SDCL 45-6C-19: Under this statute, surety must be filed with the department prior to the commencement of operations. As part of the development of the US Forest Service Plan of Operations a bond amount will be calculated. Once this has been done please provide this bond calculation to us and we will provide information on setting up a surety or bond to be submitted to the state in order to fulfill this requirement.

Once the two items above are addressed the department will issue a restriction letter and operations will be able to commence.

If you have any questions on this matter, please feel free to contact me at (605) 773-2909.

Sincerely,

\s/

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