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Dennis D. Kurtz, President The San Marcos Association P.O. Box 722 Cerrillos, NM 87010

RE: Request for Public Hearing – Cunningham Hill Mine, Revision 20-1, Permit No. SF002RE

Dear Mr. Kurtz:

The New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division ("MMD") received your e-mail, dated November 11, 2021, requesting a public hearing on the application for a Revision to Permit No. SF002RE to update the closure/closeout plan for the Cunningham Hill Mine, operated by LAC Minerals (USA) LLC ("LAC"). The Cunningham Hill Mine is located in Santa Fe County, New Mexico. MMD has assigned Permit Revision 20-1 to process the application.

We have determined your request for public hearing as timely pursuant to 19.10.9.904.A NMAC. MMD shall conduct a public hearing on the application for Revision 20-1 to Permit No. SF002RE; however, a date for the public hearing has not yet been set. MMD will advertise the date, time, and location of the public hearing pursuant to 19.10.9.904.B NMAC.

We thank you for the comments in your letter. You can continue to follow the permitting process through our website, at: https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/mmd/mining-act-reclamation-program/pending-and-approved-mine-applications/mining-applications-regular-existing/sf002re-lac-minerals-cunningham-hill-revision-20-1/.

Written comments may be submitted up to the close of the hearing record, and you are welcome to submit further details regarding your concerns. Please contact me at 505-467-9671, or Carmen Rose, of my staff, at 505-216-8399, with any questions.

Sincerely,

Jerry Schoeppner, Director Mining and Minerals Division

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