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Mining, Inc.

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LICENSE SUA-1341
DOCKET NO. 40-8502

Mr. Daniel Gillen, Chief
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Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards
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Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

RE: Excursion status removal of monitor wells M2 and 6MW21

Dear Mr. Gillen:

M2

This letter serves as a notice that monitor well M2 has been removed from excursion status. As per license Section 11.2, an excursion status is considered contained when not more than one upper control limit (UCL) is exceeded for three consecutive weekly samples. Monitor well M2 met this condition as of 6-5-00.

M2 is a perimeter ore zone monitor well located approximately 440 feet west of the Production Unit 2 boundary, at the Irigaray Project. Corrective recovery pumping succeeded in lowering the chloride and conductivity values. The following table gives the sample analysis data and the water level elevations for M2 since 5-9-00, when it was placed on excursion status. The bold values exceed their designated UCLs.

Sample Date	Chloride mg/l UCL 18.0	Conductivity umhos/cm UCL 685	Alkalinity mg/l UCL 131.1	Uranium mg/l as U3O8	pH	Water Level Elevation
5-09-00	19.3	814	94.3	< 0.4	8.5	4259.5
5-11-00	19.3	799	96.6	< 0.4	8.7	4259.4
5-15-00	19.1	786	94.9	< 0.4	8.5	4251.0
5-23-00	17.0	775	97.0	< 0.4	8.6	4247.5
5-31-00	15.8	732	100.3	< 0.4	8.5	4242.5
6-5-00	15.4	754	93.3	< 0.4	8.5	4242.7

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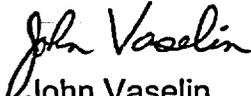
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6MW21

Open Event Notification 36365, in Section 6.2 of the NRC Inspection Report 40-8502/00-01 (5-18-00), stated that the excursion status of monitor well 6MW21 would remain an open event until the licensee reported it off excursion. Note that 6MW21 was removed from excursion status by letter to John Surmeier on 12-7-99. See attached copy.

Written progress reports of monitor wells which remain on excursion status will be submitted on a quarterly basis, as per license Section 11.2. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this report.

Sincerely,



John Vaselin
Radiation Safety Officer

cc: Division Director/NRC, Arlington, TX
Wayne Heili, COGEMA