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June 8, 2000

Mr. Thomas H. Essig, Branch Chief
US NRC
Uranium Recovery & Low Level Waste Branch
Division of Waste Management MST-7-J-9
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
11545 Rockville Pike
Washington, DC 20852

Re: **Docket No. 40-8903**
License No. SUA-1471
Financial Surety for 2000.

Dear Mr. Essig:

Homestake Mining Company, after reevaluating the reclamation costs associated with the project, requests that the financial surety for the Grants site, remain at \$24 million for the year 2000.

Homestake's corporate office is in the process of preparing and submitting, to the NRC, the necessary documentation to support Homestake's 2000 financial surety.

If you have any questions, please call me at Grants at (505) 287-4456. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roy R. Cellan", written over the word "Sincerely,".

cc: Mr. Ken Hooks, NRC Project Manager
Mr. B. Spitzberg, NRC Arlington, TX
Mr. Harold F. Barnes, HMC SFO
Ms. Mary Heather Nobel, NMED
Ms. Petra Sanchez, EPA Dallas, TX