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Mr. Christopher Burrus
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**RE: Homestake Mining Company - Grants Reclamation Project Water Use
Report Letter of Information No. 718 for February 2021, Docket No. 040-
08903, License SUA-1471**

Mr. Burrus,

In accordance with the Settlement Agreement associated Office of the State Engineer File Nos.:1605 and B-28 and issued October 31, 2016, Homestake Mining Company of California (Homestake) hereby submits the February 2021 data as required by Proposed Conditions of Approval item 2. A summary of the required reporting is provided below.

A total of 19,504,100 metered gallons (59.9 acre-feet) were injected into wells in the San Mateo alluvial aquifer and the Upper and Middle Chinle aquifers, all located in Sections 26, 27, 28, 34 and 35 T12N, R10W and Section 3 T11N, R10W (Table 1). As stated in File Nos. 1605 and B-28, Homestake requests return flow credits for water that is returned to underground aquifers. A portion of this injected water was shallow aquifer water treated by reverse osmosis and zeolite.

A monthly total of 27,836,178 metered gallons (85.4 acre-feet) of water were pumped from Homestake's production wells, of which 19,504,100 metered gallons were returned to the Bluewater underground water basin (Table 1). Metered water usage for industrial purposes was 8,332,078 gallons (25.6 acre feet) for February (Table 1).

On March 1, 2021, the meter readings for Deep Well #1 (B-28-S), Deep Well #2 (B-28-S-1) and well 951R (B-28-POD1340) were 541,737,984, 908,729,000 and 849,379,000 gallons, respectively. Monthly meter readings and volumes of water used are presented in Table 2.

Thank you for your time and attention on this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me via e-mail at bbingham@homestakeminingco.com or via phone at 505.290.8019.

Respectfully,



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Enclosures

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**TABLE 2. HOMESTAKE SAN ANDRES WELLS' MONTHLY
METER READINGS AND VOLUMES**

| 2021 | Deep#1 (B-28-S) | | Deep Well #2 (B-28-S-1) | | Well 951R (B-28-POD1340) | |
|-----------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| | Meter Reading | Total Volume (gal) | Meter Reading | Total Volume (gal) | Meter Reading | Total Volume (gal) |
| Dec. 2020 | 541,737,984 | | 884,064,000 | | 849,307,000 | |
| Jan | 541,737,984 | 0 | 898,564,000 | 14,500,000 | 849,337,000 | 30,000 |
| Feb | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 10,165,000 | 849,379,000 | 42,000 |
| Mar | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 0 | 849,379,000 | 0 |
| Apr | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 0 | 849,379,000 | 0 |
| May | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 0 | 849,379,000 | 0 |
| Jun | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 0 | 849,379,000 | 0 |
| Jul | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 0 | 849,379,000 | 0 |
| Aug | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 0 | 849,379,000 | 0 |
| Sep | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 0 | 849,379,000 | 0 |
| Oct | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 0 | 849,379,000 | 0 |
| Nov | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 0 | 849,379,000 | 0 |
| Dec | 541,737,984 | 0 | 908,729,000 | 0 | 849,379,000 | 0 |
| TOTAL | | 0 | | 24,665,000 | | 72,000 |