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VIA: Electronic Mail

ATTN: Jack Yates

CC: Cindi Byrns (Comstock), Joe McGinley (MGA), Carolyn McIntosh (Patton Boggs), David Friedman (NDEP), Jeff Collins (NDEP)

RE: REVISED ADDENDUM #8 TO THE COMSTOCK MINING INC., CARSON RIVER MERCURY SUPERFUND SITE SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS PLAN

Dear Mr. Yates:

On behalf of Comstock Mining Inc. (Comstock), McGinley and Associates (MGA) are providing this revised Addendum #8 for the South Comstock Tailings area as shown on the attached Figure 1 per the NDEP's May 18, 2012 comments.

The end use for this property is unknown so as an initial effort, Comstock proposes to install 10 borings from the surface to refusal. This effort is being completed as an initial assessment of what the potential impacts to the site may be and what additional characterization should be completed. It is expected that additional samples may need to be collected once the end use of the property is identified. This additional sampling will be addressed in future addenda.

The sampling density proposed is that which is outlined for tailings materials in Section 4.0 of the NDEP-approved Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP). It is expected that the total depth will be greater than 10' below ground surface (bgs) so the methodology outlined under sub-section 4.a will be employed. An unknown number of total samples will be collected due to the unknown total depths. It is expected that additional samples may need to be collected once the end use of the property is identified.

Action Items

1. MGA requests authorization to collect samples in the South Comstock Tailings area to characterize the unknown environmental conditions as described above.
2. Sampling Notification, MGA requests that NDEP consider this document as the sampling notice for these areas. Pending NDEP approval MGA will conduct utility clearances and initiate sampling in this area within one week of NDEP-approval. Due to the large number of samples it is expected that this sampling may continue for at least six weeks. Sampling

activities may be delayed due to additional priority items that need to be addressed in parallel.

McGinley and Associates, Inc. appreciates the opportunity to submit this addendum and we look forward to working with you on this project. Should you have any questions regarding this addendum, please contact us at (702) 260-4961 or at brakvica@mcgin.com. If this addendum is acceptable to you, please advise us at brakvica@mcgin.com.

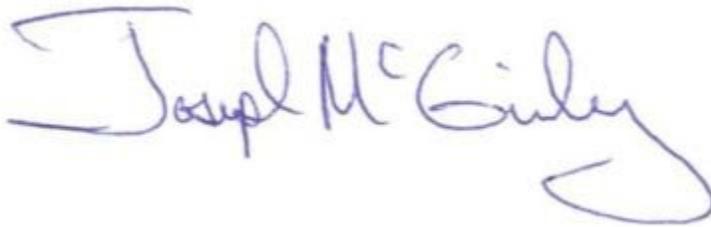
Respectfully submitted,
McGinley and Associates, Inc.



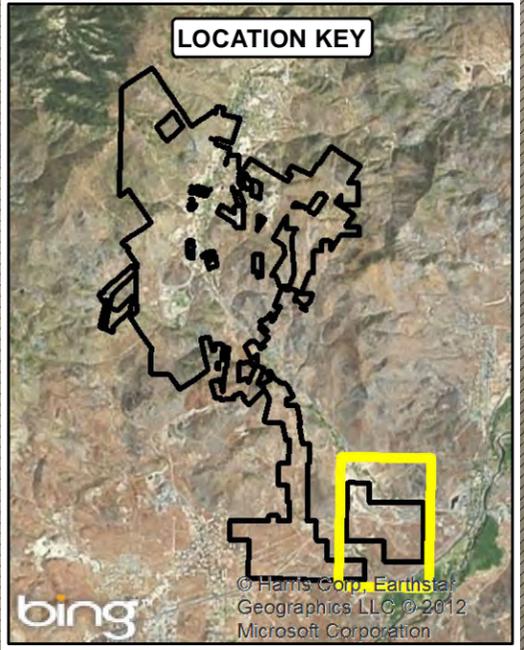
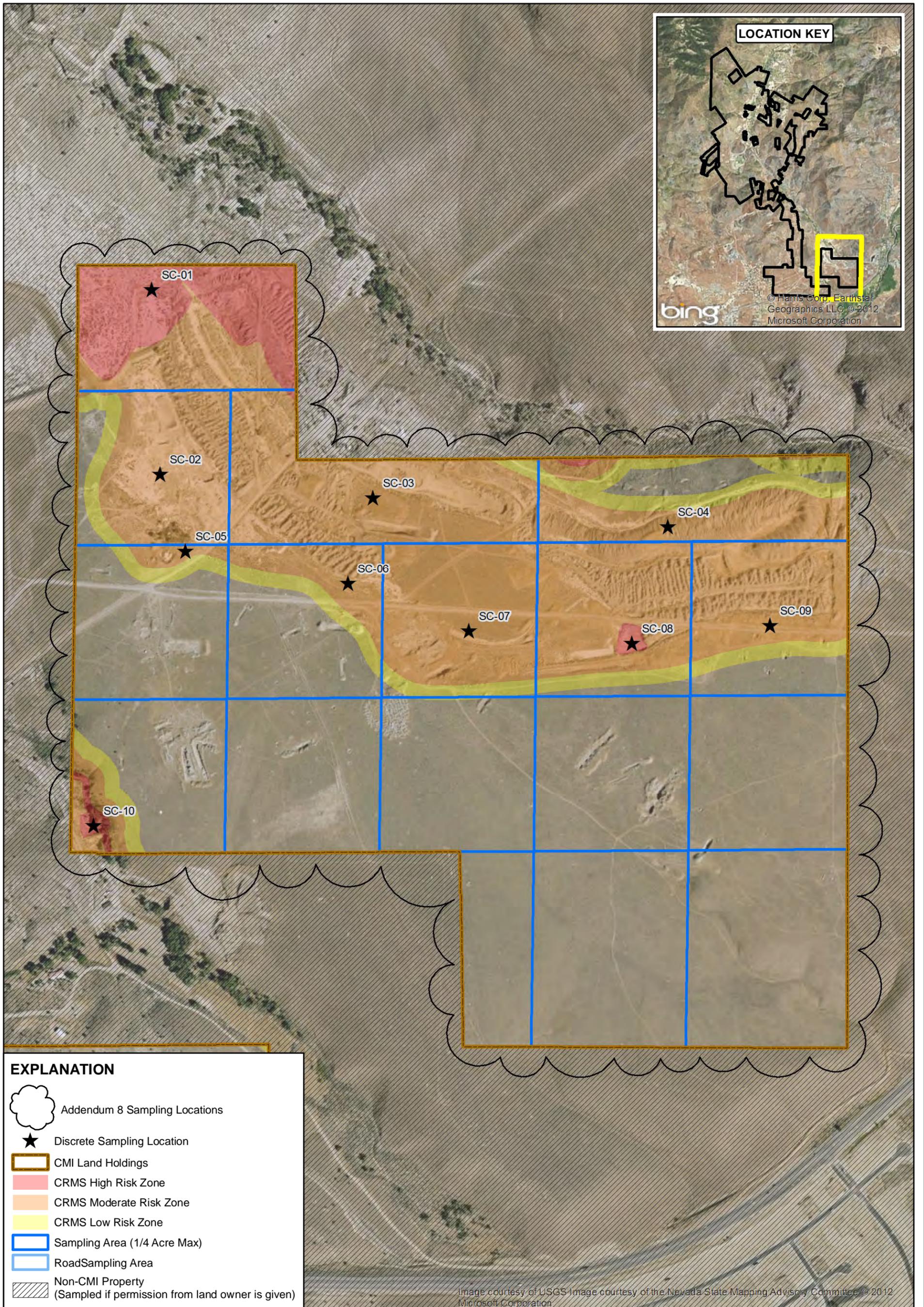
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I hereby certify that I am responsible for the services described in this document and for the preparation of this document. The services described in this document have been provided in a manner consistent with the current standards of the profession, and to the best of my knowledge, comply with all applicable federal, state and local statutes, regulations and ordinances.



Joseph M. McGinley, C.E.M. #1036, Exp. Date 11/12
Principal



EXPLANATION

-  Addendum 8 Sampling Locations
-  Discrete Sampling Location
-  CMI Land Holdings
-  CRMS High Risk Zone
-  CRMS Moderate Risk Zone
-  CRMS Low Risk Zone
-  Sampling Area (1/4 Acre Max)
-  Road Sampling Area
-  Non-CMI Property
(Sampled if permission from land owner is given)

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South Comstock
Tailings
Proposed Sampling**

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