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Notice of Proposed Action

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for a new Water Pollution Control Permit for the Poverty Gulch Millsite, a beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for Water Pollution Control Permit NEV2005109 is:

Point Consolidated Mining and Milling
HC 71 Box 30M
Goldfield, NV 89013-9700

The facility is located on private land in Esmeralda County, within Sections 3 and 10 of Township 7 South, Range 41½ East, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 65 miles south of Tonopah.

The project consists of a beneficiation facility, designed to chemically process off-site ore, with a maximum permitted processing rate of 18,249 tons of ore per year. The facility is comprised of an ore stockpile, crusher, chlorination circuit, thickener tanks, drying pads, overflow pond, and conveyance piping. Facilities are required to be designed, constructed, operated and closed without discharge or release in excess of those standards established in regulation except for meteorological events which exceed the design storm event.

The Administrator is constrained to either issue the Water Pollution Control Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Water Pollution Control Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445A, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery, United States Postal Service, facsimile, or e-mail no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice (submittal deadline September 1, 2009) to:

Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this Water Pollution Control Permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this

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matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The draft Water Pollution Control Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS 445A.665. For more information, contact Paul Eckert on (775) 687-9401 or visit the Bureau of Mining website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>.

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