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NOTICE OF FINAL DECISION - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

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Deadline for Appeal: 05/11/2012

**West Pine Valley Exploration Project
Reclamation Permit No. 0229**

Barrick Gold Exploration, Inc.

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) has decided to approve a major modification application for Barrick Gold Exploration Inc.'s West Pine Valley Exploration Project and has reissued Reclamation Permit 0229 to incorporate this modification. This amendment incorporates a 100 acre 3-D seismic survey into the project. This permit authorizes Barrick Gold Exploration Inc. to reclaim the West Pine Valley Exploration Project. This Project is located in Eureka County, Nevada. The Division has been provided with an application, in accordance with Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 519A to assure the Division that Barrick Gold Exploration will leave the project site safe, stable, and capable of providing for a productive post-mining land use.

This permit will become final May 16, 2012. The final determination of the Administrator may be appealed to the State Environmental Commission pursuant to NAC 519A.415. The appeal must be filed by May 11, 2012 and in accordance with Administrative rules of the Environmental Commission.