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## NOTICE OF INTENT - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

Date of Posting: 02/07/2023

Deadline for Comments: 03/09/2023

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection (Division) gives notice that an application for a new Reclamation Permit for a Mining Operation for the **Argenta Mine Facility** has been properly filed with the Division in Carson City. The applicant for Permit 0424 is:

Baker Hughes Oilfield Operations, Inc. dba Baker Hughes Drilling Fluids 2001 Rankin Road Houston, Texas 77073

The project is located within Lander County and is in portion(s) of Sections 13 and 24, Township 32 North, Range 46 East, and portions of Sections 7, 18, and 19, Township 32 North, Range 47 East, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 13 miles southeast from the community of Battle Mountain, Nevada. A new reclamation permit 0424, is being issued due to a portion of the private Mill land in the previous Baker Hughes reclamation permit being sold and transferred to another mine operator. This new reclamation permit reflects existing mine components: pits, access roads, haul roads, waste rock storage facilities that have been mostly reclaimed in 2022. This permit is issued pursuant to NAC 519A regulations.

The Administrator is constrained to issue the Reclamation Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the reclamation permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation in the Permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 519A.190, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery, facsimile, e-mail transmittal or US Postal Service, no later than by 5:00PM on March 9, 2023, to:

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation 901 S. Stewart St., Ste. 4001 Carson City, NV 89701-5249

All comments, objections or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this Permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests are reasonable and indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 519A.200.

The draft Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 239.010. For more information contact Raymond Grymko at (775) 687-9401 or email: rgrymko@ndep.nv.gov, and/or visit the Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation public notice website at https://ndep.nv.gov/posts/category/land.