NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

by the State of Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Air Pollution Control

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 445B, the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445B, and the Clean Air Act, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection is issuing the following Notice of Proposed Action.

The Director received an application for a revision of Mercury Operating Permit to Construct, AP1041-2221 (FIN A0005) from the following applicant:

Nevada Gold Mines, LLC 1655 Mountain City Highway Elko, NV 89801

Nevada Gold Mines, LLC – Goldstrike Mine is located 27 miles north of Carlin, Nevada, at the southern end of Elko County and the northern end of Eureka County. The project is located in all or portions of Sections 1-4, Township 35N, Range 49E, M.D.B.&M, Sections 12-15, 21-28, and 33-36, Township 36N, Range 49E, M.D.B.&M, and Sections 7-9, 16-21, and 28-32, Township 36N, Range 50E, M.D.B.&M.

Nevada Gold Mines, LLC has submitted applications to revise their Mercury Operating Permit to Construct (MOPTC) Permit No. 1041-2221 for the Goldstrike Mine. The application includes the following proposed changes: changes to System 18 to add air pollution control carbon (APC carbon) as a throughput material to the roasters (Roaster #1 designated as TU4.003 and Roaster #2 designated as TU4.004); changes to System 19 to add venturi scrubbers as controls to each of the roaster quench tanks (Roaster #1 Quench Tank designated as TU4.005 and Roaster #2 Quench Tank designated as TU4.006) and to add a final NvMACT emission limit and additional work practice standards for System 19; and changes to System 66C to increase the hourly throughput limit for the autoclaves (Autoclave #4 designated as TU4.016, Autoclave #5 designated as TU4.017, and Autoclave #6 designated as TU4.018) from 200.0 tons of ore per hour to 250.0 tons of ore per hour.

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS, the NAC and the Clean Air Act, the Director is hereby announcing his intent to issue the proposed Mercury Operating Permit to Construct based on a review of the information submitted. A copy of this document, the draft permit, and the Director's Review will be available for public inspection at http://ndep.nv.gov/posts.

Persons wishing to comment regarding this proposed action, or to request a hearing pursuant to NRS 445B Air Pollution and NAC 445B Air Controls, should submit their comments or request in writing, either in person or by mail within thirty (**30**) days to:

Tanya Soleta, P.E. Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Air Pollution Control 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, Nevada 89701 aircomments@ndep.nv.gov

The application, Director's Review, proposed permit, any comments received, and other relevant information may be copied at the above address or copies may be obtained by written request to the above address. Written comments or objections will be received at the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, above address, until **April 30, 2025**, and will be retained and considered prior to final action on the proposed Mercury Operating Permit to Construct.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all interested persons.