

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT made this *sixth* day of *January* 1968 by HAL T. HALL, a single man, of Grass Valley, California and MILDRED HANCOCK, a single woman, of Reno, Nevada, sometimes hereinafter referred to as assignors, to NEWMONT EXPLORATION LIMITED, a Delaware corporation, authorized to engage in business and hold property in Nevada, sometimes hereinafter referred to as Assignee.

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, Assignors have by Agreement entered into February 1, 1967, assigned, transferred and conveyed to Assignee, its successors and assigns, all of Assignors' right, title and interest in and to the unpatented lode mining claims located in Section 4, Township 35 North, Range 50 East, Eureka County, Nevada described as Blue Star, Blue Star No. 1 and Blue Star No. 2 (Parcel No. 1 Claims) and Blue Star, Blue Star Nos. 1 through 20, Blue Star Nos. 24 through 29, and Blue Star Nos. 33 through 35, and all of Assignors' rights, privileges and options and credits, including any credits against royalties or option prices acquired by Assignors by reason of any advance or minimum rentals or royalties, or royalties paid on minerals, ores or metals mined, extracted and sold arising out of or under or inuring to Assignors by reason of the Thomas Group Assignment, or the leases, agreements, options or assignments described therein, including the November 29, 1962 Amendment Agreement, all subject to the terms and provisions of the heretofore mentioned Agreement of February 1, 1967; and

WHEREAS, under the aforesaid Agreement of February 1, 1967, Assignee agreed to assume and fulfill certain obligations, perform certain annual assessment work and the parties agreed that the assignment would be terminated February 1, 1968 with respect to the Parcel No. 1 Claims and the Parcel No.2 Claims unless Newmont pays Assignors on or before then \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, Assignee has fulfilled its obligation under the aforesaid Agreement of February 1, 1967 and is now paying to Assignors the \$100,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, Assignors acknowledge and agree that they have received the ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000) referred to in the aforesaid Agreement of February 1, 1967 and that Assignee has no further obligations under said Agreement and that the assignment contained in the aforesaid Agreement is now absolute and unconditional.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignors have executed this Acknowledgement: the day and year first above written.

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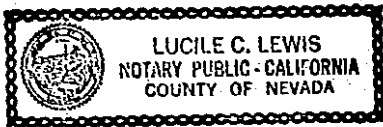
Hal T. Hall

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Mildred Hancock

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) SS:
 COUNTY OF NEVADA)

On this 31st day of January 1968, before me personally came HAL T. HALL, to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same freely and voluntarily for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.



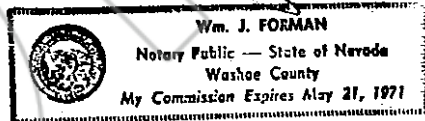
Lucile C. Lewis
 Notary Public

Lucile C. Lewis
 My Commission expires May 10, 1971

STATE OF NEVADA)
) SS:
 COUNTY OF WASHOE)

On this 3rd day of February 1968, before me personally came MILDRED HANCOCK, to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same freely and voluntarily for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Wm. J. Forman
 Notary Public



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