

RUSSELL-GOLDEN CYCLE CORPORATION
MINING LEASE AND OPTION TO PURCHASE (SHORT FORM)

This Mining Lease and Option to Purchase (Short Form) is made and entered into effective as of December 13, 1968, by and between ALLEN RUSSELL and HELEN A. RUSSELL, husband and wife, for themselves and as managing partners of a mining partnership, hereinafter called "LESSOR", whether one or more, of Beowawe, Nevada and THE GOLDEN CYCLE CORPORATION, a West Virginia Corporation, with main offices at Colorado Springs, Colorado, hereinafter called "LESSEE,"

WITNESSETH:

1. For valuable consideration paid by THE GOLDEN CYCLE CORPORATION to Lessor, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and upon the terms and conditions contained in that certain Mining Lease and Option to Purchase between the parties hereto dated December 13, 1968, Lessor has leased and does hereby lease to Lessee, with option to purchase, certain mining claims, patented and unpatented, situated in the Mill Canyon Watershed, Cortez Quadrangle, Cortez Mining District, Counties of Lander and Eureka, State of Nevada, and described as follows:

- a) The following nine (9) patented mining claims: Emma E, Mineral Survey 3635; Mayflower, Comstock, Illinois, White Horse, Jumbo, Rhoda, Aurora and Benjamin Harrison, all Mineral Survey 3207; and
- b) any and all other and further interest in lands and mining claims and the appurtenances thereto owned by Lessor, including water and water rights, rights of access, and easements.

2. The term of this Lease shall extend until December 15, 1976, unless sooner terminated.

3. This Mining Lease and Option to Purchase (Short Form) has been entered into for the sole purpose of giving notice, pursuant to the Law of the State of Nevada, of the existence of the Mining Lease and Option dated December 13, 1968, between the

parties hereto, and all rights and obligations of Lessee and Lessor pertaining to the above described Mining Claims are governed by the terms and conditions contained in the Mining Lease.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this Lease and Option to Purchase in quadruplicate effective as of the date first hereinabove written.

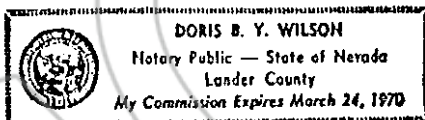
Allen Russell
ALLEN RUSSELL, Lessor

Helen A. Russell
HELEN A. RUSSELL, Lessor

STATE OF NEVADA)
COUNTY OF LANDER) ss

I, the undersigned Notary Public, do hereby certify that on the 30th day of December, 1968, personally and in person appeared ALLEN RUSSELL and HELEN A. RUSSELL, his wife, the signers of the above instrument, and personally known to me to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and whose names are subscribed thereto and duly acknowledged to me that they freely and voluntarily signed, sealed, executed and delivered the same as their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein specified and set forth.

Given under my hand and official Notarial Seal this 30th day of December, 1968.



Doris B. Y. Wilson
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires:
MARCH 24, 1970



THE GOLDEN CYCLE CORPORATION

By: W. P. Nash
W. P. Nash, Executive Vice President

ATTEST:

Paul F. Bauer
Paul F. Bauer, Asst. Secretary

CORPORATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF COLORADO)
 : ss
 COUNTY OF EL PASO)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me
 this 6th day of January, 1969, by W. P. Nash
 Executive Asst.
 as Vice President and Paul F. Bauer as Secretary of THE
 GOLDEN CYCLE CORPORATION, a corporation.

My notarial commission expires: My Commission Expires January 26, 1971



Dorrence B. Phillips
 NOTARY PUBLIC

RECORDED AT THE REQUEST OF Vernon Cross
 on Jan. 9, 1969, at 10 mins. past 8 A. M. in
 Book 26 of OFFICIAL RECORDS, page 557-560 RECORDS OF
 EUREKA COUNTY, NEVADA. Dorrence B. Phillips Recorder.
 File No. 48196 Fee \$ 5.00