

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, 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:

All mining claims and interests in mining claims owned by Lessor in the Mill Canyon Watershed in the above area (EXCEPT the 9 patented claims known as Emma E., Mineral Survey 3635; Mayflower, Aurora, Comstock, Illinois, White Horse, Jumbo, Rhoda and Benjamin Harrison, all Mineral Survey 3207, which are covered by another agreement between the parties) including but not limited to the following listed claims; a) two patented claims known as Maid Queen, Mineral Survey 52906, and Ventura, Mineral Survey 47887; b) 57 unpatented lode claims known as Amy, Bruno, Bruno #1, Cavalier, Eagle, Erwin(Erin), Esther, Glittering Galore, Josephine, Cortez, Cortez #1-#9, incl., Blue Bell, Blue Jay, London, Majestic, Majestic #1, Mascot, #9, #10, #11, #23, #24, Monterey, Ida, Ida #1-#4, incl., Oneonton, Shamrock, Tom Gilliam, Valley View, Victory, Highland Lassie, Lassie #1-#2, incl., Long Shot, Helen, Helen #1-#2, incl., Whitey, Shiela, Norman, Esther B., Nora, Buddy, and Buddy #1-#3, incl.; and c) any and all other and further interests 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.

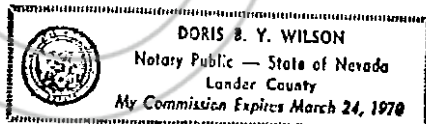
Allen Russell
ALLEN RUSSELL, Lessor

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 in and for said County and State.

My Commission Expires:
MARCH 24, 1970

