

STATEMENT OF ROYCE A. HARDY  
AS TO BUCKHORN NOS. 1 THROUGH 9, B&B FRACTION,  
MONARCH, NARROW GAUGE, AND EASTER NOS. 1 AND 2  
PATENTED MINING CLAIMS  
BUCKHORN MINING DISTRICT, EUREKA COUNTY, NEVADA

THE UNDERSIGNED, ROYCE A. HARDY, hereby makes the following representations or observations:

1. That he and his sister, Alice <sup>Hardy Paulsen</sup>~~Paulsen Hardy~~, collectively referred to as the "HARDYS", are the owners of the above referenced patented mining claims (hereinafter collectively the "Buckhorn claim group").

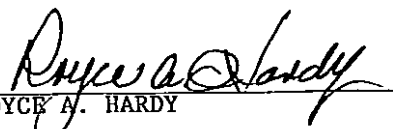
2. That by that certain Mining Lease dated as of January 4, 1972, the HARDYS leased the Buckhorn claim group to William B. Golden. A Memorandum of Mining Lease was recorded in the Official Records of Eureka County, Nevada on April 20, 1972 in Book 42, at Page 225.

3. That the Undersigned understands, but does not represent, that the interest of William B. Golden has been purchased by a group represented by Ernest Dale Soule', Jr. (Buckhorn Mines Co.) of Susanville, California.

4. That all payments under the aforesaid Mining Lease have been brought current and that said Mining Lease is in full force and effect.

5. That the Undersigned understands, but is without documented personal knowledge of, the fact that Cominco American Incorporated has acquired, or is acquiring, an assignment of said Mining Lease, together with the rights and duties thereunder, and that the Undersigned approves of such assignment to Cominco American Incorporated.

DATED this 3<sup>RD</sup> day of August, 1983.

  
 ROYCE A. HARDY

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 ATTORNEYS AT LAW  
 RENO AND ELKO, NEVADA

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STATE OF Arizona )  
COUNTY OF Pima ) SS.

On August 3, 1983, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public, ROYCE A. HARDY, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed above, who acknowledged to me that he executed the foregoing instrument.

My Commission Expires Jan. 22, 1986

Loretta A. Crosby  
NOTARY PUBLIC

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John C. Miller  
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OFFICIAL RECORDS  
EUREKA COUNTY, NEVADA  
M.N. REBALEATI, RECORDER  
FILE NO. 88683  
FEE \$ 6.00

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