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MEMORANDUM OF EXPLORATION AGREEMENT AND OPTION TO PURCHASE

THIS MEMORANDUM OF EXPLORATION AGREEMENT AND OPTION TO PURCHASE ("Agreement") is made effective this 30° M day of November, 1989 ("Effective Date"), by and between SAM BIDA AND NEVA F. BIDA, husband and wife, whose address is 2160 Crawford Street, Ely, Nevada 89301, and LEON BELAUSTEGUI AND VELMA BELAUSTEGUI, husband and wife, whose address is P. O. Box 399, Battle Mountain, Nevada 89820 ("Owner"), and ECHO BAY EXPLORATION INC., a Delaware corporation, whose address is 5250 Neil Road, Suite 300, Reno, Nevada 89502 ("EBX").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, Owner and EBX have entered into an Exploration Agreement and Option to Purchase of even date herewith ("Agreement"), and

WHEREAS, Owner and EBX have agreed to record this Memorandum to reflect the interests in land affected by that Agreement,

NOW, THEREFORE, Owner and EBX state as follows:

For good and valuable consideration and in consideration of the mutual covenants contained in that Agreement, Owner grants and leases exclusively to EBX, its successors and assigns, for the purposes hereinafter set forth, for a term of Seven (7) years and so long thereafter as provided for in the Agreement, those certain unpatented mining claims located in Lander and Eureka Counties, Nevada, and more specifically described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part of this Memorandum ("Property"), together with all Owner's right, title and interest in and to the Property.

While the Agreement is in effect, EBX shall have the exclusive and unlimited right of ingress and egress, the

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exclusive and unlimited right to explore for all minerals and materials, without exclusion, found in, on and under Property, and all other rights and privileges necessary and convenient to accomplish the purposes of the Agreement.

The above mentioned MINING LEASE AND OPTION TO PURCHASE may be unrecorded but is made a part of this Memorandum by this reference for all purposes as if fully set forth here.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Memorandum effective the day and year first written above.

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SS# 88-6010780 ECHO BAY EXPLORATION INC. a Delaware corporation NEIL K. MUNCASTER
Vice President STATE OF __NEVADA COUNTY OF WHITE PINE On this 2474 day of NOVEMBER . 1989 . before me. a notary public, personally appeared SAM BIDA, who acknowledged to me that HE executed the above instrument.

My commission expires:

ATTEST

VIOLA M. BRADEN

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STATE OF _______ me, personally appeared Neil K. Muncaster, who acknowledged himself to be the Vice President of ECHO BAY EXPLORATION INC., a Delaware corporation, and that he, as such Vice President being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purpose therein contained, by signing the name of the corporation by himself as Vice President. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal. My commission expires: Affixed

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EXHIBIT "A" TO MEMORANDUM OF EXPLORATION AGREEMENT AND OPTION TO PURCHASE

Attached to and made a part of that certain MENORANDUM OF EXPLORATION AGREEMENT AND OPTION TO PURCHASE dated the 30^{TR} day of November, 1989, by and between SAM BIDA AND NEVA F. BIDA, husband and wife, and LEON BELAUSTEGUI AND VELMA BELAUSTEGUI, husband and wife ("Owner") and ECHO BAY EXPLORATION INC. ("EBX") concerning all that property located in Sections 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, Township 34 North, Range 48 East, and Sections 31 and 32, Township 35 North, Range 48 East, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian, Eureka and Lander Counties, Nevada, and more particularly described as follows:

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