

CERTIFICATE OF LOCATION
LODE CLAIM

The Undersigned certifies as follows:

1. The name of the locator is WESTERN STATES MINERALS CORP. whose address is 4975 Van Gordon Street, Wheat Ridge, Colorado 80033

2. On the 20th day of August, 1992, pursuant to the mining laws of the United States and the State of Nevada, the locator located and claimed, and hereby locates and claims, the lode mining claim called the AU 173 mining claim (the "claim")

3. The claim is located in the Unknown mining district, in Eureka County, Nevada, in the following quarter section(s).

NE 1/4 of Sec. 24, T. 35 N., R. 48 E.;
SE 1/4 of Sec. 24, T. 35 N., R. 48 E.;
NW 1/4 of Sec. 24, T. 35 N., R. 48 E.;
SW 1/4 of Sec. 24, T. 35 N., R. 48 E.

4. The general course of the lode or vein is east and west. The locator claims 750 feet in an east direction and 750 feet in a west direction from the location monument at which the Notice of Location is posted, together with 300 feet in width on each side of the center of the vein or lode.

6. The Northeast Corner (Monument #1) is approximately 3550 feet north and 2950 feet east from the Southwest corner of Section 24, T. 35 N., R. 48 E., M.D.P.M., an official corner of the Public Land Survey. 7. The position of each corner of the mining claim is shown on the mining claim map recorded herewith. The number, position and markings on each corner or side line center monument are as follows:

Monument	Position	Markings
No. 1	N.E. Corner	AU 173
No. 2	S.E. Corner	AU 173
No. 3	South Side Center	AU 173
No. 4	S.W. Corner	AU 173
No. 5	N.W. Corner	AU 173
No. 6	North Side Center	AU 173

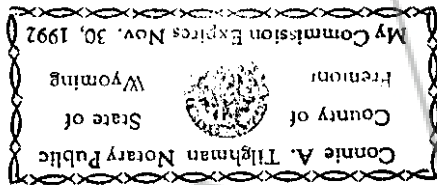
8. As erected on the ground, each corner and side line center monument consists of a wood post, 3 1/2 inches in diameter by 4 feet in length, set one foot in the ground and marked as described above. 9. The monumentation and marking of the monuments on the ground were completed within sixty (60) days from the date of posting the Notice of Location. The work of location consisted of making and recording of duplicate claim maps filed herein as provided by NRS 517.040.

WESTERN STATES MINERALS CORP.

Agent - Robert W. Schlitching

STATE OF WYOMING)
COUNTY OF FREMONT) SS

Subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me this 12th day of October, 1992, by Robert W. Schlitching as Agent for Western States Minerals Corp.



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