

MEMORANDUM OF MINING LEASE AGREEMENT

THIS MEMORANDUM OF MINING LEASE AGREEMENT between IDORA SILVER MINES,

INC., an Idaho corporation, P. O. Box 488, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814, Lessor, and HEMLO GOLD MINES (USA) INC., a Delaware corporation, Lessee, 65 North Edison Way, Suite #4, P. O. Box 7176, Reno, Nevada 89510, is recorded in the official records of Eureka County, State of Nevada, for the purpose of giving actual and constructive notice to the world of the agreement, conveyance, terms and conditions of the lease and possessory rights which are described herein.

Lessor and Lessee have entered into a Mining Lease Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement") which affects the title, possessory rights, and equities in the land described on the attached Exhibit "A" as set out herein. Lessor does hereby grant and convey to Lessee the exclusive right to explore, develop, treat, sell and market mineral product produced from the above-described property.

Lessee shall have the right to possession of the property as defined therein, from the date the Agreement was made, the 15th day of September, 1993, until or unless the Agreement is terminated. Upon termination of the Agreement, Lessor shall reacquire the right to possession of the land subject to Lessee's right to remove property and equipment during a period of six months thereafter.

The term of the Agreement is twenty years.

The Agreement requires Lessee to pay Lessor advance royalty payments in the amounts and on the dates specified in the Agreement. For the purpose of actual and constructive notice, it is the intent of the parties to the Agreement that all payments and other conditions performed by Lessor and Lessee be deemed to have been performed and that the Agreement shall be deemed to be valid and outstanding until its expiration date, or the recordation of a release by Lessee releasing title to the described property to Lessor. The terms and conditions of the Agreement run with the land, inure to the benefit of and are binding upon the respective heirs, successors and assigns of the parties thereto.

The Agreement contains a Force Majeure clause which might, under certain conditions, extend the time for performance and the expiration date of the Agreement.

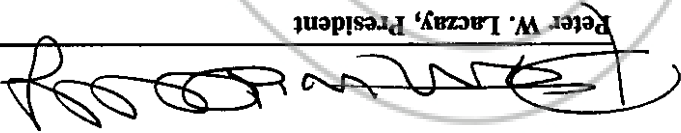
An original executed copy of the Agreement is in the possession of Noranda Exploration, Inc. at its offices in Reno, Nevada. Additional information on the Agreement may be requested by written inquiry to Noranda Exploration, Inc., P.O. Box 7176, Reno, Nevada 89510.

This Memorandum is for the purpose of giving actual and constructive notice only as described hereinabove. In the event any conflict or inconsistency between the Agreement and this Memorandum, the Agreement will prevail in all events and shall remain in force and effect in accordance with the provisions thereof.

Dated this 6th day of December, 1993.

LESSOR:

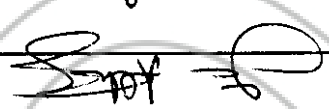
Idora Silver Mines, Inc.



Peter W. Laczay, President

LESSEE:

Hemlo Gold Mines (USA) Inc.

By: 
Title: Vice President.

This certifies that on this 6th day of December, 1993, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State of Idaho, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Peter W. Lazay known to me or proven to me to be the person who acknowledged to me that he executed the above Memorandum of Mining Lease Agreement in his capacity as President of Idora Silver Mines, Inc. as indicated above, on behalf of said corporation and that the corporation executed the above Memorandum of Mining Lease Agreement.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

Carol A. Brown
Notary Public

My commission expires: 3-15-95

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On this 11th day of March, 1993, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the Province of Ontario, known to me or proven to me to be the person who acknowledged to me that he executed the above Memorandum of Mining Lease Agreement in his capacity as Vice-President of Hemlo Gold Mines (USA) Inc. as indicated above, on behalf of said corporation and that the corporation executed the above Memorandum of Mining Lease Agreement.

[Signature]
Notary Public
My Commission does not expire.



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Exhibit A
to that certain
Memorandum of Mining Lease Agreement
dated _____, 1993

Claim Name	County Recordation	BLM Serial No.
Cortez #400	254:270	683964
Cortez #401	254:271	683965
Cortez #402	254:272	683966
Cortez #403	254:273	683967
Cortez #404	254:274	683968
Cortez #405	254:275	683969
Cortez #406	254:276	683970
Cortez #407	254:277	683971
Cortez #408	254:278	683972
Cortez #409	254:279	683973
Cortez #410	254:280	683974

A total of eleven (11) unpatented mining claims located in
Sections 20 and 21, Township 28 North, Range 49 East,
Eureka County, Nevada

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