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HOMESTAKE MINING COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA
ATTN: VALERIE FLYNN-WALLACE
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QUITCLAIM DEED

THIS INDENTURE is made effective the 1st day of January, 1994 between Contract Geological Services, Inc., whose address is 1395 Greg Street, Suite 108, Sparks, Nevada 89431, ("Grantor") and PLACER DOME U.S. INC., whose address is 240 South Rock Boulevard, Suite 117, Reno, Nevada 89502, ("Grantee").

WITNESSETH:

That Grantor for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to them in hand paid, together with other good and valuable consideration by the Grantee, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does convey effective as of January 1, 1994, remise, release and forever quitclaim unto the said Grantee, and to their successors and assigns, without warranties of title, all rights acquired or reacquired in and to those certain unpatented lode claims located in the County of Eureka, State of Nevada and more fully described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, together with all the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rent, issues and profits thereof, and also all the estate, right, title, interest, property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever as well in law as in equity, of the Grantor of, in or to the said unpatented lode claims in every part and parcel thereof.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, all and singular, the said premises, with the appurtenances unto the Grantee, their heirs and assigns forever.

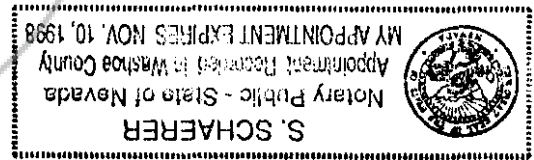
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has executed this Quitclaim Deed to be effective as of the day and year first written above.

Edward K. Sheldon
Edward K. Sheldon, Senior Geologist
Contract Geological Services, Inc.

ACCEPTED BY:
PLACER DOME U.S. INC.
By: *Dennis Lee*
Dennis Lee
Land/Legal Manager

On this 23 day of February, 1996, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public, Dennis Lee, who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing Quitclaim Deed in his capacity as Land/Legal Manager of Placer Dome U.S. Inc., as indicated above, on behalf of said corporation and that the corporation executed the above Quitclaim Deed.

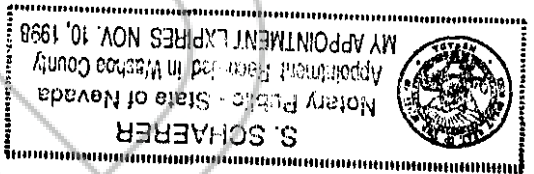
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) ss.)
COUNTY OF WASHOE)



NOTARY PUBLIC

On this 23 day of February, 1996, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public, Edward K. Sheldon, who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing Quitclaim Deed in his capacity as Senior Geologist of Contract Geological Services, Inc., as indicated above, on behalf of said corporation and that the corporation executed the above Quitclaim Deed.

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