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RELEASE OF MINING LEASE

SANTA FE PACIFIC GOLD CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation, successor to Royal Gold, Inc., by Assignment Agreement dated November 21, 1994, a memorandum of which is recorded in Book 281, Page 105 of the official records of Eureka County, Nevada, whose address is 6200 Uptown Blvd. N.E., Suite 400, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87110, does hereby RELEASE, RELINQUISH, and SURRENDER all of its right, title, and interest in and to that certain Mining Lease dated effective the 30th day of November, 1993, made and entered into between REX STENINGER, a married man, as Lessor, and ROYAL GOLD, INC., as Lessee, covering the following described unpatented mining claims in Eureka County, Nevada:

Claim Name(s)	Book	Page	BLM Serial Nos. (NMC)
BC 1-36	256	364-399	685630-685665

Situated in Section 2, Township 31 North, Range 49 East, MDBM.

Executed this 28th day of June, 1996.

SANTA FE PACIFIC GOLD CORPORATION

By: Leroy E. Wilkes
Its: Executive Vice President

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO
} ss.
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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 28th day of June, 1996, by Leroy E. Wilkes, Exec. Vice President of SANTA FE PACIFIC GOLD CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

OFFICIAL SEAL
LAURIE L. CARPENTER
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF NEW MEXICO
Notary Bond Filed With Secretary of State
My Commission Expires 6-31-97
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Laurie L. Carpenter
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 6/21/97

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