

NEVADA AFFIDAVIT OF
PAYMENT OF CLAIM MAINTENANCE FEES
AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO HOLD UNPATENTED CLAIMS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 1, 1997

THE UNDERSIGNED, on behalf of Kennecott Exploration Company, 224 North 2200 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a citizen of the United States and more than eighteen years of age, and that in accordance with the 1993 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act, Public Law No. 103-66, 107 Stat. 405, One Hundred Dollars in maintenance fees were paid by Kennecott Holding Corporation or one of its affiliate or respective subsidiary companies including Kennecott Exploration Company (collectively "Kennecott"), for the assessment year ending at 12:00 noon on September 1, 1997, for each of the unpatented mining claims further described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference. Said fee was paid in lieu of the annual assessment work requirements and was paid for the claims described herein which are owned, leased, worked, controlled, or claimed by Kennecott for the valuable mineral contained therein, and it is the intent of Kennecott for itself or for the benefit of the owner or owners of the unpatented mining claims if different from Kennecott to continue to hold and develop these claims.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed as of the 9th day of August 1996.

KENNECOTT EXPLORATION COMPANY

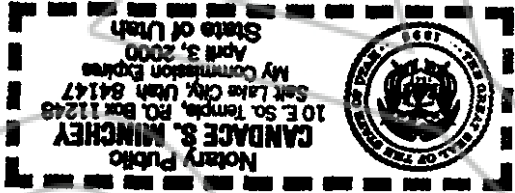
By Robert S. Johnson
Robert S. Johnson, District Land Manager

WHEN RECORDED PLEASE RETURN TO
C. S. MINCHEY - KENNECOTT
224 NORTH 2200 WEST
SALT LAKE CITY UT 84116

STATE OF UTAH
: ss
) COUNTY OF SALT LAKE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 9th day of August 1996, by Robert S. Johnson, a District Land Manager for Kennecott Exploration Company.

Constance S. Minchey
Notary Public in and for the State of Utah
My Commission Expires April 3, 2000



TWIN SPRINGS PROJECT

KEC RENO DISTRICT

TWIN SPRINGS - KEC MT CLAIMS

EXHIBIT "A"

KENNECOTT EXPLORATION COMPANY

80 UNPATENTED LODE MINING CLAIMS SITUATED IN SECTIONS 1-3,
TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 49 EAST, AND SECTIONS 35-36,
TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 49 EAST, MDB&M, EUREKA COUNTY,
STATE OF NEVADA.

----- CLAIM NAME BOOK PAGE BLM SERIAL # -----

MT-1	297	386	741408
MT-2	297	387	741409
MT-3	297	388	741410
MT-4	297	389	741411
MT-5	297	390	741412
MT-6	297	391	741413
MT-7	297	392	741414
MT-8	297	393	741415
MT-9	297	394	741416
MT-10	297	395	741417
MT-11	297	396	741418
MT-12	297	397	741419
MT-13	297	398	741420
MT-14	297	399	741421
MT-15	297	400	741422
MT-16	297	401	741423
MT-17	297	402	741424
MT-18	297	403	741425
MT-19	297	404	741426
MT-20	297	405	741427
MT-21	297	406	741428
MT-22	297	407	741429
MT-23	297	408	741430
MT-24	297	409	741431
MT-25	297	410	741432
MT-26	297	411	741433
MT-27	297	412	741434
MT-28	297	413	741435
MT-29	297	414	741436
MT-30	297	415	741437
MT-31	297	416	741438

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741439	417	297	MT-32
741440	418	297	MT-33
741441	419	297	MT-34
741442	420	297	MT-35
741443	421	297	MT-36
741444	422	297	MT-37
741445	423	297	MT-38
741446	424	297	MT-39
741447	425	297	MT-40
741448	426	297	MT-41
741449	427	297	MT-42
741450	428	297	MT-43
741451	429	297	MT-44
741452	430	297	MT-45
741453	431	297	MT-46
741454	432	297	MT-47
741455	433	297	MT-48
741456	434	297	MT-49
741457	435	297	MT-50
741458	436	297	MT-51
741459	437	297	MT-52
741460	438	297	MT-53
741461	439	297	MT-54
741462	440	297	MT-55
741463	441	297	MT-56
741464	442	297	MT-57
741465	443	297	MT-58
741466	444	297	MT-59
741467	445	297	MT-60
741468	446	297	MT-61
741469	447	297	MT-62
741470	448	297	MT-63
741471	449	297	MT-64
741472	450	297	MT-65
741473	451	297	MT-66
741474	452	297	MT-67
741475	453	297	MT-68

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741476	454	297	MT-69
741477	455	297	MT-70
741478	456	297	MT-71
741479	457	297	MT-72
741480	458	297	MT-73
741481	459	297	MT-74
741482	460	297	MT-75
741483	461	297	MT-76
741484	462	297	MT-77
741485	463	297	MT-78
741486	464	297	MT-79
741487	465	297	MT-80

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 OFFICIAL RECORDS
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Kennecott Corporation
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 FILE NO.
 FEES \$280.00