

AFFIDAVIT OF PAYMENT OF CLAIM MAINTENANCE FEES

Buckhorn South Project, Eureka County, Nevada

STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss. Denver)
COUNTY OF DENVER)

Peter B. Babin, whose residence address is 5501 Lakeshore Drive, Littleton, CO 80123, and whose business address is 1660 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202, having first been duly sworn, states:

THAT, on or about August 8, 1996, the claim maintenance fee of \$100.00 per claim, payable for the assessment year beginning September 1, 1996, was tendered to the Nevada State Office of the Bureau of Land Management (the "State Office"), with respect to each of the following 265 described mining claims (the "Claims"). The Claims are situated in the Unknown Mining District, Eureka County, Nevada. The location notices or certificates of location for the Claims have been recorded with the County Recorder of Eureka County, and have been filed with the State Office, and the Claims are more particularly described as follows:

Eureka County Book and Page BLM Serial No. (NMC No.) Claim Name

77 / 374 - 391	140112 - 140129	Zeke 1 - 18
77 / 392 - 394	140130 - 140132	Zeke 21 - 23
77 / 395, 396	140133 - 140134	Zeke 25, 26
122 / 230 - 279	303126 - 303175	Zeke 29 - 78
122 / 281 - 291	303177 - 303187	Zeke 80 - 90
155 / 427 - 460	400781 - 400814	Zeke 103 - 136
159 / 93	419628	Zeke 139
159 / 90 - 92	419629 - 419631	Zeke 140 - 142
159 / 94 - 99	419632 - 419637	Zeke 143 - 148
199 / 464 - 466	563812 - 563814	Zeke 15A, 17A, 18A
267 / 360 - 404	697311 - 697355	Zeke 301 - 345
270 / 210 - 238	702340 - 702368	Zeke 346 - 374

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BLM Serial No. (NMC No.)	283 / 040 - 099	Zeke 375 - 434
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The Claims are situated in Sections 1 and 12, Township 26 North, Range 48 East; Sections 5 - 7 and 18, Township 27 North, Range 49 East; Sections 5 - 8 and 16 - 21, Township 26 North, Range 49 East; and in Section 36, Township 27 North, Range 48 East, all in Eureka County, Nevada.

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THAT the Claims are held for the valuable minerals believed to be contained therein, and Royal Gold, Inc. intends to continue to hold the Claims.

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THAT all monuments required by law have been erected upon the Claims, all notices required by law have been posted on the Claims, and each corner monument located on the Claims bears or contains markings sufficient to designate appropriately the corners of the Claims to which they pertain, and bears the names of the Claims.

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THAT the persons or entities holding interests in the Claims are:

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Ronald and Arlene Darnelle, et al.
c/o Post Office Box 342
Eureka, NV 89316

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(Lessors of all Claims other than the Zeke 301 - 434 claims.)

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Idaho Resources Corporation
Post Office Box 2183
Grand Junction, CO 81502

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(Holder of an overriding royalty interest in substantially all Claims.)

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Royal Gold, Inc.
Suite 1000, 1660 Wynkoop Street
Denver, Colorado 80202

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(Lessee of the Claims other than the Zeke 301 - 434 claims, and the locator of the Zeke 301 - 434 claims.)

THAT the affiant, an officer of Royal Gold, Inc., is authorized to make this affidavit on behalf of Ronald and Arlene Damele, et al., Idaho Resources Corporation, and Royal Gold, Inc.

Dated this 9th day of September 1996.

Peter B. Babin
Peter B. Babin

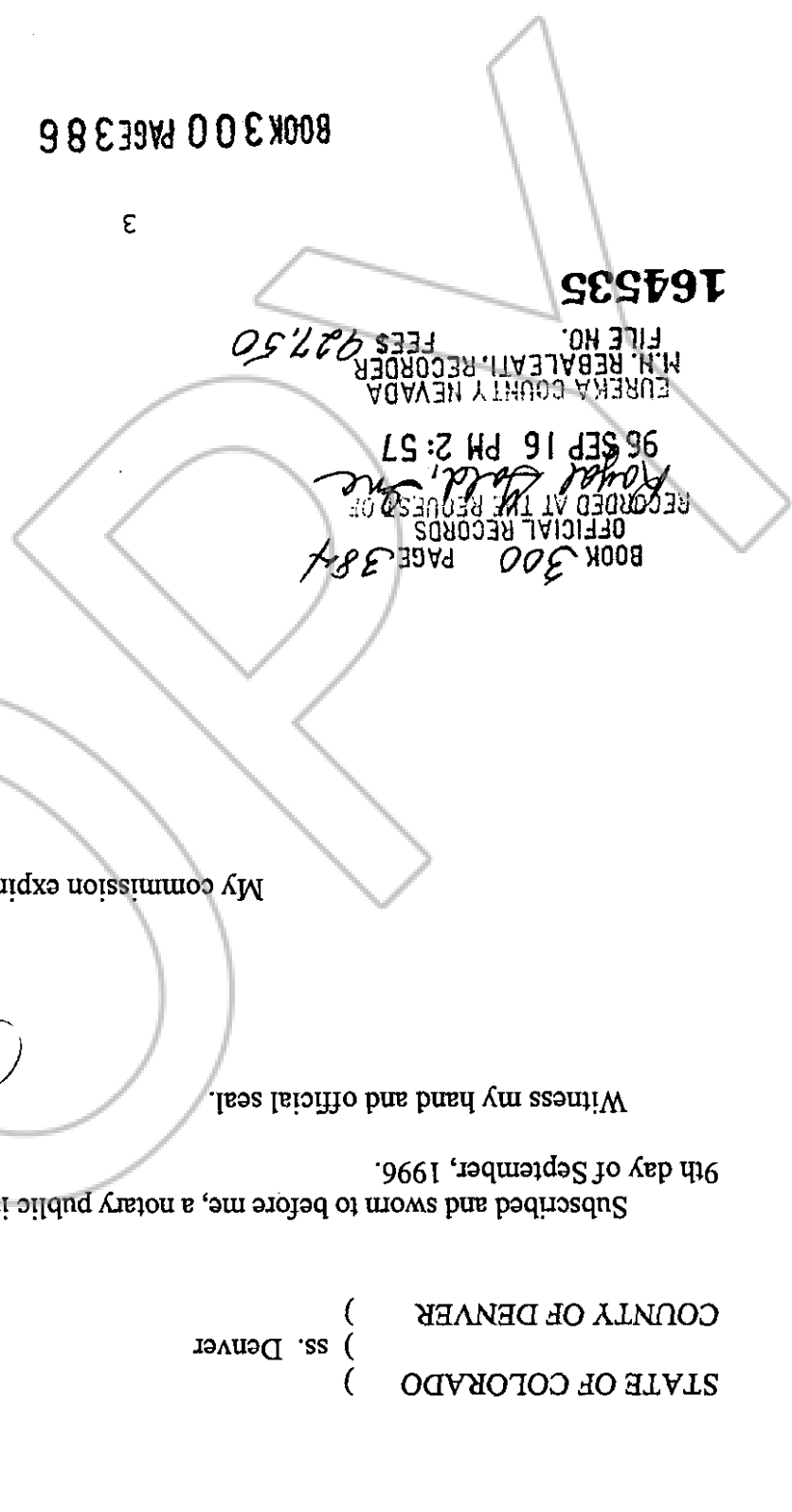
STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss. Denver)
COUNTY OF DENVER)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the State of Colorado, on the 9th day of September, 1996.

Witness my hand and official seal.

Peter B. Babin
Notary Public
My Commission Expires July 2, 1999

My commission expires:



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OFFICIAL RECORDS
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Royal Gold, Inc
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EUREKA COUNTY NEVADA
M.N. REBALERTI, RECORDER
FILE NO. 92750

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