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Attn: Land Department  
BHP Minerals International Inc.  
550 California St.  
San Francisco, CA 94104

AFFIDAVIT OF EVIDENCE OF PAYMENT  
AND  
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD MINING CLAIMS

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO )

James A. Tarazoff, being first duly sworn, states and says:

1. I make this affidavit on behalf of BHP Minerals International Exploration, Inc., a Delaware corporation, with offices at 550 California St., San Francisco, CA 94104, an owner, lessee or other interested party in the property referenced herein.

2. The reason for this Notice Of Intention To Hold Mining Claims is to indicate compliance with Public Law 102-381, 106 Stat. 1374 - The Federal Appropriations Act of October 5, 1992 and Public Law 103-66 - The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of August 10, 1993, pursuant to which BHP Minerals International Exploration Inc. paid the requisite \$100.00 for each non-exempt mining claim, millsite or tunnel site, described below, for the assessment year ending September 1, 1997, in lieu of the requirement to perform and record affidavits of proof of annual assessment work for mining claims pursuant to the provisions of the Code of Federal Regulation, Title 43, Subpart 3833, and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, and in lieu of the requirement to record notices of intent to hold millsites under 30 U.S.C. Sections 28-28e and 43 U.S.C. Section 1744.

3. The federal holding fees were paid on or before August 31, 1996 for the assessment year ending September 1, 1997, for the mining claims situated in Eureka County, Nevada, more particularly described as follows:

See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

4. The name(s) and mailing address of the owner(s) of the mining claims is: BHP Minerals International Exploration Inc., 550 California Street, San Francisco, CA 94104.

5. The serial number assigned to each claim by the authorized officer upon filing a copy of the Notice of Location in the proper B.L.M. office is shown on Exhibit "A". As provided in 43 C.F.R. Section 3833.2-2(a)(1) this serial number constitutes a description of each claim.

6. Notwithstanding any defect or deficiency in the foregoing affidavit, the undersigned states that it is not his intention, nor is it the intention of any of the owners of the claims described in Exhibit "A" to abandon or otherwise relinquish their interest in any of the claims. It is their intention to hold each of the mining claims described in Exhibit "A" through the assessment years ending September 1, 1997.

The affiant swears that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated and signed this 15th day of OCTOBER, 1996.

BHP MINERALS INTERNATIONAL EXPLORATION INC.

By James A. Tarazoff  
Agent for BHP Minerals International  
Exploration Inc.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of October, 1996, by  
James A. Tarazoff.

Veronica R. Valencia  
Notary Public, State of California



My Commission Expires:

July 28, 2000

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EXHIBIT A

Group I

9 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23½ North, Range 50 East; MDM Sections 1,2

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
COR #8	155853	707860
COR #9	155854	707861
COR #10	155855	707862
COR #11	155856	707863
COR #12	155857	707864
COR #13	155858	707865
COR #15	155860	707867
COR #17	156054	708959
COR #19	156055	708960

Owner: Jane M. Guy - 100%

Group II

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 24 North, Range 50 East; MDM Section 35

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
COR #2	155847	707854
COR #3	155848	707855
COR #4	155849	707856
COR #5	155850	707857
COR #6	155851	707858
COR #7	155852	707859
COR #16	155861	707868
COR #18	155862	707869
COR #20	155863	707870
COR #24	155865	707872

Owner: Steve Groven, a/k/a Stephen Groven - 100%

Group III

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 24 North, Range 50 East; MDM Section 35

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
COR #1	155846	707853
COR #22	155864	707871
COR #26	155866	707873
COR #27A	155867	707874
COR #38	155868	707875
COR #40	155869	707876
COR #41	155870	707877
COR #42	155871	707878
COR #43	155872	707879
COR #45	155873	707880

Owner: Ron Mackin a/k/a Ronald Earl Mackin - 100%

Group IV

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 50 East; MDM Section 1

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
COR #37	156063	708968
COR #51	156067	708972
COR #52	156068	708973
COR #53	156069	708974
COR #54	156070	708975
COR #55	156071	708976
COR #56	156072	708977
COR #57	156073	708978
COR #58	156074	708979
COR #60	156075	708980

Owner: Leslie Dougall a/k/a Les Dougall - 100%

Group V

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 53 East ; MDM Sections 12 and 13

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
COR #73	156087	708992
COR #74	156088	708993
COR #75	156089	708994
COR #76	156090	708995
COR #78	156092	708997
COR #80	156094	708999
COR #82	156096	709001
COR #84	156098	709003
COR #86	156100	709005
COR #94	156108	709013

Owner: Tracy Dougall a/k/a Tracy A. Dougall - 100%

Group VI

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 50 East; MDM Section 12

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
COR #61	156076	708981
COR #62	156077	708982
COR #63	156078	708983
COR #64	156079	708984
COR #65	156080	708985
COR #66	156081	708986
COR #67	156082	709987
COR #69	156084	709989
COR #88	156102	709007
COR #91	156105	709010

Owner: Berl Dougall, Jr. a/k/a Berl E. Dougall, Jr. - 100%

Group VII

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 ½ North, Range 50 East; MDM Section 1

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
COR #21	156056	708961
COR #23	156057	708962
COR #25	156058	708963
COR #27B	156059	708964
COR #28	156060	708965
COR #34	156061	708966
COR #36	156062	708967
COR #39	156064	708969
COR #46	156065	708970
COR #47	156066	708971

Owner: Opal Laczay - 100%

Group VIII

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 50 East; MDM Section 13

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
COR #77	156091	708996
COR #79	156093	708998
COR #81	156095	709000
COR #83	156097	709002
COR #85	156099	709004
COR #90	156104	709009
COR #92	156106	709011
COR #93	156107	709012
COR #117	156114	709019
COR #118	156115	709020

Owner: George K. Vetek - 100%

Group IX

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 50 East; MDM Sections 12 and 13

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
COR #68	156083	708988
COR #70	156085	708990
COR #72	156086	708991
COR #87	156101	709006
COR #89	156103	709008
COR #95	156109	709014
COR #96	156110	709015
COR #103	156111	709016
COR #115	156112	709017
COR #116	156113	709018

Owner: VX Corporation - 100%

Group X

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 51 East; MDM Section 18

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #7	159984	725871
W #8A	159985	725872
W #24	160002	725889
W #26	160003	725890
W #28	160004	725891
W #29	160005	725892
W #30	160006	725893
W #31	160007	725894
W #32A	160008	725895
W #33	160009	725897

Owner: Carlo Poliak - 100%

Group XI

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 51 East; MDM Section 18

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #3	159980	725867
W #4	159981	725868
W #5	159982	725869
W #6	159983	725870
W #112	160071	725960
W #113	160072	725961
W #114	160073	725962
W #115	160074	725963
W #1	159978	725965
W #2	159979	725866

Owner: Avery Poliak - 100%

Group XII

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 51 East; MDM Section 18 & 19

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #124	160077	725966
W #125	160078	725967
W #16	159994	725881
W #17	159995	725882
W #18	159996	725883
W #19	159997	725884
W #20	159998	725885
W #21	159999	725886
W #22	160000	725887
W #23	160001	725888

Owner: Shana House - 100%



Group XIII

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 50 East; MDM Section 24  
Township 23 North, Range 51 East; MDM Section 19

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #116	160075	725964
W #117	160076	725965
W #8B	159986	725873
W #9	159987	725874
W #10	159988	725875
W #11	159989	725876
W #12	159990	725877
W #13	159991	725878
W #14	159992	725879
W #15	159993	725880

Owner: Nova Poliak - 100 %

Group XIV

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North , Range 50 East - MDM Section 25

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #49	160023	725910
W #50	160024	725911
W #51	160025	725912
W #52	160026	725913
W #53	160027	725914
W #54	160028	725915
W #55	160029	725916
W #56	160030	725917
W #57	160031	725918
W #58	160032	725919

Owner: Frank Quinto - 100%

Group XV

9 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North , Range 51 East; MDM Sections 19 and 30

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #48	160022	725909
W #59	160033	725920
W #60	160034	725921
W #61	160035	725922
W #62	160036	725923
W #63	160037	725924
W #64	160038	725925
W #65	160039	725926
W #66	160040	725927

Owner: Lani K. Lux a/k/a Loni Lux - 100%

Group XVI

8 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 22 North, Range 51 East; MDM Section 6  
Township 23 North, Range 51 East; MDM Sections 30 & 31

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #79	160052	725940
W #80	160053	725941
W #81	160054	725942
W #82	160055	725943
W #99	160069	725958
W #100	160070	725959
W #110	160096	725974
W #111	160097	725975

Owner: Richard Sutton Nicholson - 100%

Group XVII

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 51 East; MDM Sections 30 & 31

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #77	160050	725938
W #78	160051	725939
W #69	160043	725930
W #70	160044	725931
W #71	160045	725932
W #72	160046	725933
W #73	160047	725934
W #74	160087	725935
W #75	160048	725936
W #76	160049	725937

Owner: Jareb Mackin - 100%

Group XVIII

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 51 East - MDM Section 18

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
RW #27	159942	725162
RW #28	159943	725163
RW #29	159944	725164
RW #32	159967	725167
RW #33	159968	725168
RW #34	159946	725169
RW #35	159947	725170
RW #36	159948	752171
RW #37	159949	725172
RW #38	159950	725173

Owner: Terry A. Lewis - 100%

Group XIX

18 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 22 North, Range 51 East, MDM Section 6  
Township 23 North, Range 50 East, MDM Sections 2,25 and 36  
Township 23 North, Range 51 East, MDM Sections 7,18 and 31

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #32B	160009	725896
W #34	160011	725898
W #85	160058	725946
W #86	160059	725947
W #87	160060	725948
W #88	160061	725949
W #83	160056	725944
W #84	160057	725945
W #67	160041	725928
W #68	160042	725929
W #106	160092	725970
W #107	160093	725971
W #108	160094	725972
W #109	150095	725973
RW #30	159945	725165
RW #31 (as amended)	159966/160254 (amended)	725166
COR #107	159970	725160
COR #109	159971	725161

Owner: Summit Silver, Inc. - 100%

Group XX

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 50 East; MDM Sections 24 & 25  
Township 23 North, Range 51 East; MDM Sections 19 and 30

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #37	160012	725899
W #38	160013	725900
W #39	160014	725901
W #40	160015	725902
W #41	160016	725903
W #42	160017	725904
W #43	160018	725905
W #44	160019	725906
W #45	160020	725907
W #46	160021	725908

Owner: Floyd Lee Spear - 100%

Group XXI

10 unpatented mining claims located in Eureka County, NV  
Township 23 North, Range 50 East; MDM Section 36  
Township 23 North, Range 51 East; MDM Section 31

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>RECORDING ENTRY</u>	<u>BLM NMC Serial #</u>
W #89	160088	725950
W #90	160062	725951
W #91	160063	725952
W #92	160064	725953
W #93	160089	725968
W #94	160065	725954
W #95	160090	725969
W #96	160066	725955
W #97	160067	725956
W #98	160068	725957

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