

RECORDING REQUESTED BY  
AND RETURN TO:

Homestake Mining Company  
Attn: Val Flynn-Wallace  
650 California St, 10th Floor  
San Francisco, CA 94108-2788

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OFFICIAL RECORDS  
RECORDED AT THE REQUEST OF  
*Homestake Mining*  
97 JUL - 3 PM 1:00  
EUREKA COUNTY NEVADA  
M.N. REBAL/EAH, RECORDER  
FILE NO. 167346  
FEES 7.00

**NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT AND RELINQUISHMENT**

Homestake Mining Company of California, a California corporation, having its principal place of business at 650 California Street, 10th Floor, San Francisco, California 94108-2788 hereby abandons and relinquishes those certain unpatented lode mining claims located in Eureka County, Nevada, being more particularly described in as follows:

Claim Name	Location Date	Recording Date	BLM Serial #
PLS No. 279	07/17/1993	253/182	682334
PLS No. 281	07/17/1993	253/184	682336

This abandonment is dated effective this 19th day of June, 1997.

HOMESTAKE MINING COMPANY  
OF CALIFORNIA

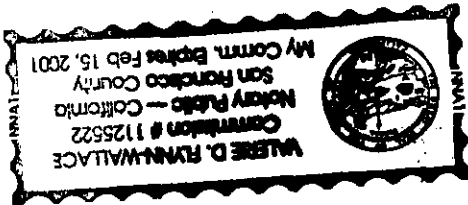
By *Margaret Boorda*  
Margaret Boorda  
Senior Land Manager

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

On June 19th, 1997, before me, Valerie D. Flynn-Wallace, a Notary Public in and for said state, personally appeared Margaret Boorda, personally known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same in her authorized capacity, and that by her signature on the instrument, the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

*Valerie D. Flynn-Wallace*  
Notary Public



CAPACITY CLAIMED BY SIGNER-  
[X] Individual

For: Homestake Mining Company of California  
as its Senior Land Manager

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