RETURN TO: PLACER DOME EXPLORATION, INC.
240 SOUTH ROCK BLVD., SUITE 117
RENO, NEVADA 89502

CERTIFICATE OF LOCATION OF LODE MINING CLAIM STATE OF NEVADA, COUNTY OF <u>EUREKA</u>

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That the undersigned hereby certifies that:

PLACER DOME EXPLORATION, INC. 240 SOUTH ROCK BLVD., SUITE 117 RENO, NEVADA 89502

has located the <u>PDGV 297</u> Lode Mining Claim on the <u>20th</u> day of <u>September</u>, 1998 whose dimensions are approximately <u>1500</u> feet by <u>600</u> feet. By this Declaration and such location, the above name locator(s) claim all veins, lodes, ledges, deposits and surface ground within the boundaries of said claim.

Said claim is a lode it being situated in the above mentioned county and state, and it is distinctly marked on the ground so that its boundaries may be readily traced by four 2" x 2" wooden post four feet long. Each monument is marked with a scribed metal tag, which states the claim name and number, and the location of the monument with respect to the claim.

Beginning at the NE corner (Cor. No. 1), thence <u>1500</u> feet South to the SE Corner (Cor. No. 2), thence <u>600</u> feet West to the SW Corner (Cor. No. 3), thence <u>1500</u> feet North to the NW Corner (Cor. No. 4), thence <u>600</u> feet East to the Point of Beginning.

The Claim is approximately 1500 feet long and 600 feet wide, such that 20 feet are claimed in a North direction and 1480 feet in a South direction from the point of discovery (monument of location), at which the Notice of Location was posted, together with 300 feet on each side of the monument of location and center line of the Claim. The general course of the lode or vein is from the North to the South direction.

This claim is located in all or part of the following quarter section(s):

in Eureka County, State of Nevada.

The work of location consisted of making a claim map as provided in N.R.S. 517.040.