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SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

THIS SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY is made this 19th day of January, 1998⁹, by and between MARY C. DAMELE, LEROY E. ETCHEGARAY and MARY J. ETCHEGARAY, FREDERICK L. ETCHEGARAY, ROBERT L. SMITH and ARLENE D. SMITH, JOHN J. ETCHEGARAY, ROBERTA M. DAMELE, ELLEN M. DAMELE AND ANTONE J. DAMELE (Grantors") to LEO G. DAMELE, Grantee.

1. Special Power of Attorney: Grantors hereby appoint and empower Leo Damele to act as their agent and attorney-in-fact, and to execute any and all documents associated with the maintenance, amendment, leasing, control and disposition and abandonment of the Patty claims more fully described on EXHIBIT A attached hereto. The documents which may be executed by Leo Damele on our behalf shall include, but not be limited to:

- a. Mining Leases;
- b. Amendments to, Assignments of, Clarifications of, and/or Terminations of Mining Leases;
- c. The location/amendment and/or relocation of the claims, including the changing the position, location, and/or general direction of the claims;
- d. The alteration of the name of ownership of the claims on any location/amendment and/or relocation of the claims;
- e. Any and all documents necessary to maintain and keep the claims valid;

- f. Options to sell the claims;
- g. Escrow instructions;
- h. Quitclaim deeds or other forms of conveyance.

2. Duration of Power: This Special Power of Attorney shall have a duration of 10 years from the day and year first above written.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have executed this Special Power of Attorney on the day and year first above written.

Mary C. Damele
MARY C. DAMELE

Leroy E. Etchegaray
LEROY E. ETCHEGARAY

Mary J. Etchegaray
MARY J. ETCHEGARAY

Frederick L. Etchegaray
FREDERICK L. ETCHEGARAY

Robert L. Smith
ROBERT L. SMITH

Arlene D. Smith
ARLENE D. SMITH

John J. Etchegaray
JOHN J. ETCHEGARAY

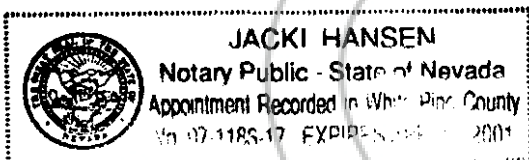
Roberta M. Damele
ROBERTA M. DAMELE

Ellen M. Damele
ELLEN M. DAMELE

Antone J. Damele
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COUNTY OF W.P.)

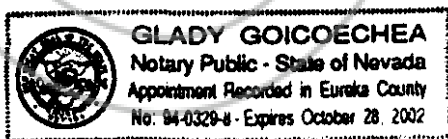
On the 19th day of January, 1998⁹, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for said county, personally appeared MARY C. DAMELE, who acknowledged that she executed the foregoing Special Power of Attorney, and to me known or proved to be the person described in and who executed the same.



Jacki Hansen
NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF NEVADA)
) SS
COUNTY OF Eureka)

On the 31 day of December, 1998, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for said county, personally appeared LEROY E. ETCHEGARAY, who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing Special Power of Attorney, and to me known or proved to be the person described in and who executed the same.



Gladys Goicoechea
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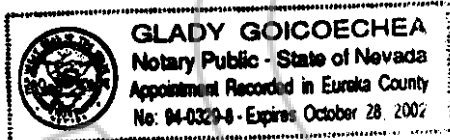
On the 31 day of December, 1998, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for said county, personally appeared MARY J. ETCHEGARAY, who acknowledged that she executed the foregoing Special Power of Attorney, and to me known or proved to be the person described in and who executed the same.



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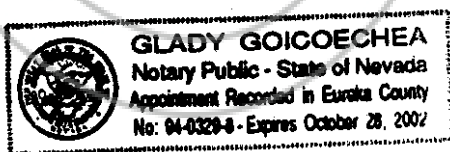
On the 31 day of December, 1998, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for said county, personally appeared FREDERICK L. ETCHEGARAY, who acknowledged that he executed the foregoing Special Power of Attorney, and to me known or proved to be the person described in and who executed the same.



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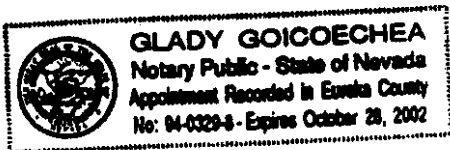
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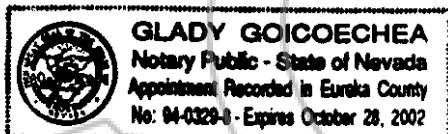
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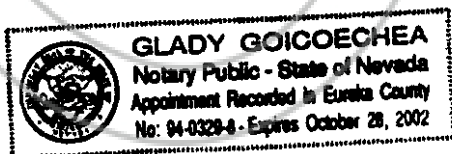
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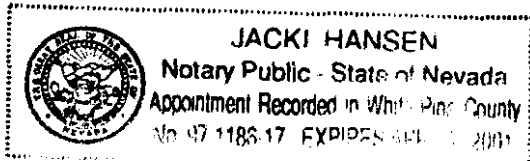
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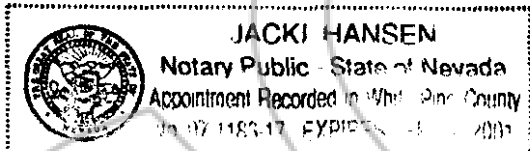
On the 14th day of January⁹, 1998, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for said county, personally appeared ELLEN M. DAMELE, who acknowledged that she executed the foregoing Special Power of Attorney, and to me known or proved to be the person described in and who executed the same.



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