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## DECLARATION OF MERGER OF MINERALS SUBLEASE

Newmont Gold Company ("NGC") hereby declares as follows:

- 1. Effective April 1, 1991, Santa Fe Pacific Gold Corporation, successor by merger to SFP Mineral Corporation, and Newmont Gold Company entered into a Minerals Sublease (the "Minerals Sublease") covering the real property described in Exhibit I hereto.
- 2. On December 29, 1999, Santa Fe Pacific Gold Corporation was merged into Newmont Gold Company.
- 3. By operation of the doctrine of merger, NGC succeeded to all right, title and interest in the Minerals Sublease.

THEREFORE, NGC declares the Minerals Sublease to be of no further effect and validity.

Newmont Gold Company, a Delaware corporation

Name: Timothy J. Schmitt
Title: Vice-President
Date: March 23rd 2000

STATE OF COLORADO ) ) ss.
CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER )

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  $\frac{23^{rd}}{d}$  day of March, 2000, by Timothy J. Schmitt, as Vice President of Newmont Gold Company.

My commission expires: Clugust 2, 2003.

Witness my hand and official seal.

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Beth J. Frankel
Notary Public

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## **EXHIBIT I**

The following property situated in Eureka County, Nevada:

## Township 33 North - Range 51 East, MDM

Section 13: All

