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To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS

Newmont Gold Company

is entitled to a land patent pursuant to the general mining laws, R.S. 2325, as amended (30 U.S.C. 29) for the lands embraced within the THERE No. 9A lode mining claim designated and described as:

A portion of Mineral Survey No. 5049, within Section 2, Township 33 North, Range 51 East, and Section 35, Township 34 North, Range 51 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, in the Unknown (Gold Quarry) Mining District, Eureka County, Nevada, the said claim being more particularly described in the official field notes and depicted on the official plat, which are expressly made a part of this patent and copies of which are attached hereto; but excluding and excepting from this patent that portion of said survey within the patented There No. 7 lode mining claim of M.S. 4997, within Section 2, T. 33 N., R. 51 E., Patent No. 27-86-0054, within Section 2, T. 33 N., R. 51 E., and Railroad Grant 997571 within Section 35, T. 34 N., R. 51 E.; containing 9.856 acres.

NOW KNOW YE, that there is, therefore, granted by the UNITED STATES unto Newmont Gold Company the lands above described; TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said lands with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature, thereunto belonging, unto Newmont Gold Company, its successors and assigns, forever; and

EXCEPTING AND RESERVING TO THE UNITED STATES, a right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States. Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945).

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of June 17, 1948 (62 Stat. 476), has, in the name of the United States, caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the Bureau to be hereunto affixed.

THE CITY OF WASHINGTON DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

the Twenty-ninth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and of the Independence of the United States the two hundred and twenty fourth

BRUCE BABBITT, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR

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