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When Recorded Return to  
 Placer Dome U.S. Inc.  
 240 So. Rock Blvd., Suite 17  
 Reno, Nevada 89502

### QUITCLAIM DEED

THIS INSTRUMENT is made effective the 14 day of November, 2000 between Placer Dome S. Inc., a California corporation, whose address is 240 South Rock Blvd., Suite 17 Reno, Nevada 89502, and the Cortez Joint Venture, a Nevada joint venture doing business as Cortez Gold Mines, whose address is HC66-50, Beowawe, Nevada 89821-9708 (together, "Grantors"), and the Cortez Joint Venture, a Nevada joint venture comprised of Placer Cortez Inc. and Kennecott Explorations (Australia) Ltd., whose address is HC66-50, Beowawe, Nevada 89821-9708 ("Grantee").

### WITNESSETH:

THAT GRANTORS, for and in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby release and quitclaim unto Grantee, and its successors and assigns, without warranty of title, all of Grantors' right, title and interest, in and to those certain unpatented mining claims listed on Exhibit "A" attached hereto (the "Property"). The Property is located in Lander and Eureka Counties, Nevada.

Together with and singular the tenements, hereditaments, appurtenances, the reversion and reversionary remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof.

Together with all of the unpatented mining claims, claim fractions, extralateral rights, water rights, easements, licenses, rights-of-way and other rights, appurtenances and property interests the Grantors in and to the lands encompassed within the exterior boundaries of the above-described claims.

To have and to hold, all and singular, the above-mentioned and described property unto Grantee, and its successors and assigns, forever.

In Witness Whereof, Grantors have executed this deed as of the day and year first above written.

GRANTORS

**Placer Dome U.S. Inc.,**  
a California corporation

By Brian G. Iverson  
Name: Brian G. Iverson  
Title: Manager of Land Affairs

**Cortez Joint Venture, a Nevada joint  
venture doing business as Cortez Gold Mines**

By: Placer Dome U.S. Inc.,  
Manager

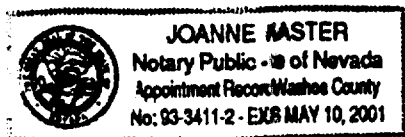
By Brian G. Iverson  
Name: Brian G. Iverson  
Title: Manager of Land Affairs

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STATE OF Nevad )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF Wash )

This Quitclaimed was acknowledged before me, a notary public, on this 14th day of November, 20, by Brian G. Iverson as Manager of Land Affairs of Placer Dome U.S. Inc., for itself and as the Manager of the Cortez Joint Venture, a Nevada joint venture doing business as Cortez Gold Mines, who is person known or has been identified to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the above instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal.



*Joanne M. Master*  
Notary Public

My commission expires: May 10, 2001

## EXHIBIT "A"

Claim Name	Recording Information	BLM Serial Number
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Millsite claims

M 42		NMC 65370
M 149		NMC 65477
M 157		NMC 65485
M 162		NMC 65490
M 163		NMC 65491
M 164		NMC 65492
M 165		NMC 65493
M 200		NMC 65528
M 1001		NMC 316611
M 1002		NMC 316612
M 1003		NMC 316613
M 1004		NMC 316614
M 1005		NMC 316615
M 1006		NMC 316616
M 1007		NMC 316617
M 1008		NMC 316618
M 1009		NMC 316619
M 1010		NMC 316620
M 1011		NMC 316621
M 1012		NMC 316622
M 1013		NMC 316623
M 1014		NMC 316624
M 1015		NMC 316625
M 1016		NMC 316626
M 1017		NMC 316627
M 1018		NMC 316628
M 1019		NMC 316629
M 1020		NMC 316630
M 1021		NMC 316631
M 1022		NMC 316632
M 1023		NMC 316633
M 1024		NMC 316634
M 1025		NMC 316635
M 1026		NMC 316636
M 1027		NMC 316637
M 1028		NMC 316638
M 1029		NMC 316639
M 1030		NMC 316640

EXHIBIT "A"  
Recording Information

BLM Serial Number

Claim Name

Lode Claims

Blue Mountain		NMC 61338
Blue Mountain 2		NMC 61339
Blue Mountain 3		NMC 61340
Blue Mountain 4		NMC 61341
Blue Mountain 5		NMC 61342
Blue Mountain 6		NMC 61343
Wildcat		NMC 61344
Wildcat 2		NMC 61345
Wildcat 3		NMC 61346
Coyote		NMC 61347
Owl		NMC 61348
Red Robin		NMC 61349
Deer		NMC 61350
Bull Snake		NMC 61351
Weasel		NMC 61352
Sage Hen		NMC 61353
Yellow Squirrel		NMC 61354
Porcupine		NMC 61355
MUF		NMC 61421
MUF 1		NMC 61422
OF		NMC 61424
ADA 175	Book 477 Page 198	NMC 65730
ADA 176	Book 477 Page 199	NMC 65731
Nee 10		NMC 65744
Nee 11		NMC 65745
Nee 12		NMC 65746
Nee 13		NMC 65747
Nee 14		NMC 65748
Nee 15		NMC 65749
Nee 16		NMC 65750
Nee 17		NMC 65751
Nee 18		NMC 65752
Nee 21		NMC 65755
Nee 22		NMC 65756
Nee 25		NMC 65759
Nee 26		NMC 65760
Nee 27		NMC 65761
Nee 28		NMC 65762
Nee 29		NMC 65763
Nee 30		NMC 65764

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Claim Name	Recording Information	BLM Serial Number
Nee 31		NMC 65765
Nee 32		NMC 65766
Nee 45		NMC 65779
Nee 48		NMC 65782
Nee 60		NMC 65794
Nee 61		NMC 65795
Nee 63		NMC 65797
Nee 88		NMC 65822
Nee 89		NMC 65823
Nee 219		NMC 65953
Nee 221		NMC 65955
Nee 227		NMC 65961
Nee 229		NMC 65963
Nee 231		NMC 65965
Nee 233		NMC 65967
Nee 235		NMC 65969
Blue Eagle	Book 46 Page 37	NMC 87532
Blue Eagle 2	Book 50 Page 350	NMC 87533
Blue Eagle 3	Book 51 Page 532	NMC 87534
Blue Eagle 4	Book 51 Page 533	NMC 87535
Nee 19		NMC 243054
Nee 20		NMC 243055
Nee 223		NMC 243056
Nee 225		NMC 243058
Nee 1		NMC 386253
Nee 2		NMC 386254
Nee 3		NMC 386255
Nee 4		NMC 386256
Nee 5		NMC 386257
Nee 6		NMC 386258
Nee 7		NMC 386259
Nee 8		NMC 386260

Leased Claims

Black Lady

NMC 26684

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*Placer Dome (US) Inc*  
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OFFICIAL RECORDS  
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*Placer Dome U.S. Inc*  
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EUREKA COUNTY NEVA  
 M.M. REBALEATI, RECORDER  
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IDONNA M. TREVINO  
 RECORDER

FEE 12.<sup>00</sup> DEPT DN

**State of Nevada  
Declaration of Vae**

1. Assessor Parcel Nuer(s)
  - a) \_\_\_\_\_
  - b) \_\_\_\_\_
  - c) \_\_\_\_\_
  - d) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Type of Property:
  - a)  Vacant Land     Single Fam. Res.
  - c)  Condo/Twnhscd     2-4 Plex
  - e)  Apt. Bldg.     Comm'/Ind'l
  - g)  Agricultural     Mobile Home
  - i)  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Total Value/Sales Pr of Property: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deduct Assumed Lit and/or Encumbrances: ( \_\_\_\_\_ )  
(Provide record information: Doc/Instrument #: \_\_\_\_\_ Book: \_\_\_\_\_ Page: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 Transfer Tax Value - NRS 375.010, Section 2: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Real Property Trans Tax Due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

4. **If Exemption Claim:**
  - a. Transfer Tax Exetion, per NRS 375.090, Section: 9
  - b. Explain Reason Exemption: Unpatented mining claims

5. Partial Interest: Pertage being transferred: 100 %

The undersigned Seller (Grantor) /yer (Grantee), declares and acknowledges, under penalty of perjury, pursuant to NRS 375.060 and NRS 375.110, that the information provide correct to the best of their information and belief, and can be supported by documentation if called upon to substantiate the information providerein. Furthermore, the parties agree that disallowance of any claimed exemption, or other determination of additional tax due, may result in a pay of 10% of the tax due plus interest at 1¼% per month. Pursuant to NRS 375.030, the Buyer and Seller shall be jointly and severally liable any additional amount owed.

**SELLER (GRANTOR) INFORMATION**

Seller Signature: Brian G. Ivern  
 Print Name: Brian G. Ivern  
 Address: 240 S. Rock rd., Suite 117  
 City: Reno  
 State: NV Zip: 89502  
 Telephone: ( 775 ) 856-255  
 Capacity: Manager of LanAffairs

**BUYER (GRANTEE) INFORMATION**

Buyer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPANY REQUESTING RECORDING**

Co. Name: Placer Dome. S. Inc. Esc. #: \_\_\_\_\_

(AS A PUBLIC RECORD THIS FORM MAY BE RECORDED/MICROFILMED)