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SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED

THIS SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED is made as of the 6th day of June, 1999, by and between ORO NEVADA MINING COMPANY, INC., a Nevada corporation, Grantor, and PLACER DOME U.S., INC., a Nevada corporation, Grantee.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), lawful money of the United States, to it in hand paid by the Grantee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby GRANT, RELEASE and FOREVER QUITCLAIM unto the Grantee, and to their successors and assigns forever, all the right, title and interest which the Grantor has or may hereafter acquire in and to the property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

TOGETHER WITH all minerals, veins and lodes of mineral-bearing rock therein, and all dips, spurs and angles thereof.

TOGETHER WITH the appurtenances and all rents, issues and profits thereof, and all right, title and interest of the Grantor then or thereto, or which it may hereafter acquire.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the Grantee, its successors and assigns forever.

Grantor makes following warranties and no others to Grantee:

1. To the best of its knowledge, Oro Nevada Mining Company, Inc. has done nothing to impair the title conveyed.
2. To the best of its knowledge, Oro has no information which indicates the existence of any third party claim to the property conveyed except such claims as were asserted in the case of Western Shoshone National Council v. United States of America, et al. filed with the United States District Court, District of Nevada as case no. CV-S-97-327-HDM (RLH).

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3. To the best of its knowledge, Oro knows of no environmental hazard on the property.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has executed these presents the day and year first above written.

"GRANTOR"

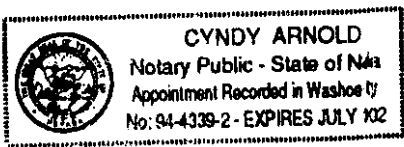
ORO NEVADA MINING COMPANY, INC.

By Felice Cavalera

Its Vice President General CFO

COUNTY OF Washoe)
) ss.
STATE OF NEVADA,)

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this 6th day of June, 1999, by Felice Cavalera, as V.P. Finance CFO of Oro Nevada Mining Company, Inc.



Cyndy Arnold
NOTARY PUBLIC

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EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

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LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Order No.: 96211516

The land referred toerein is situated in the State of Nevada,
County of Eureka andander, described as follows:

PARCEL 1:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RGE 49 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 1: All;
Section 3: All;
Section 9: All;
Section 11: All;
Section 13: All;
Section 15: All;
Section 21: N1/2;
Section 23: All;

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RGE 50 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 1: All;
Section 3: All;
Section 5: All;
Section 7: All;
Section 9: All;
Section 11: All;
Section 13: All;
Section 15: All;
Section 17: All;
Section 19: All;
Section 21: All;
Section 23: All;

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RGE 51 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 5: All;
Section 7: All;
Section 9: All;

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RGE 49 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 1: All;
Section 3: All;
Section 9: All;
Section 11: All;
Section 13: All;

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STEWART TITLE
Guaranty Company

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Section 15: All;
Section 21: All;
Section 23: All;
Section 25: All;
Section 27: All;
Section 35: All;

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, NGE 50 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 1: All;
Section 3: All;
Section 5: All;
Section 7: All;
Section 9: All;
Section 11: All;
Section 13: E1/2; /2NW1/4; N1/2S1/2NW1/4; S1/2N1/2SW1/4;
S1/2SW4;
Section 15: All;
Section 17: All;
Section 19: All;
Section 21: All;
Section 23: All;
Section 25: All;
Section 27: All;
Section 29: All;
Section 31: All;
Section 33: All;
Section 35: All;

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, NGE 51 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 31: All;

TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, NGE 50 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 35: All;

EXCEPTING THEREFROM all petroleum, oil, natural gas and products derived therefrom lying in and under said land as reserved by SOUTHERN PACIFIC LAND COMPANY in Deed recorded July 7, 1949, in Bc 23 of Deeds at page 583, Eureka County, Nevada records.

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EXCEPTING FROM all Parcel 1, except Sections 1, 3, 9, 15 and 21, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 49 EAST; Section 1, TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RANGE 50 EAST M.D.B.&M.; and Section 35, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 50 EAST M.D.B.&M., a one-half interest in and to the iron and mineral rights in and under said land conveyed by DAN FILIPPINI to ROSE PRIMEAUX and FRANCES PRIMEAUX by deed recorded August 20, 1951, in Book 24 of Deeds at Page 153, Eureka County, Nevada records.

PARCEL 2:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 49 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 20: NW1/4NW1/4; NE1/4NW1/4;

TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 48 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 33: NW1/4SW1/4;

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 47 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 5: Lots 23 and 4;
Section 6: NE1/4;

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 48 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 1: All;
Section 3: All;
Section 5: All;
Section 7: All;
Section 8: NE1/4NW1/4; S1/2S1/2;
Section 9: All;
Section 11: All;
Section 12: S1/2SW1/4; SW1/4SE1/4;
Section 13: All;
Section 14: N1/2; S1/4; W1/2SE1/4;
Section 15: All;
Section 16: W1/2NE1/4; NW1/4;
Section 17: All;
Section 18: E1/2E1/4; NW1/4NE1/4; NE1/4NW1/4;
Lot 1 (W1/4NW1/4);

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Section 19: NW1/4S/4;
Section 21: S1/2SE/4;
Section 22: SW1/4S/4;
Section 23: N1/2NW/4;
Section 24: NE1/4N/4;
Section 27: SW1/4N/4;
Section 28: NE1/4; 1/2NW1/4; SE1/4SW1/4; SW1/4SE1/4;
NE1/4S/4;
Section 32: SE1/4N/4; SW1/4SW1/4; NE1/4SW1/4;
NW1/4S/4;
Section 33: NW1/4N/4;

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, NGE 49 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 2: S1/2NE1/4;
Section 7: All;
Section 19: N1/2;
Section 24: NW1/4N/4;
Section 26: NE1/4N/4;
Section 28: NW1/4N/4; NE1/4SE1/4;
Section 30: NE1/4N/4;
Section 32: SE1/4N/4;
Section 34: NW1/4N/4;
Section 35: NW1/4S/4;
Section 36: NW1/4N/4; N1/2SW1/4;

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, NGE 47 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 18: Lots 1, 11 and 12;
Section 32: Lots 2, 3 and 4; NE1/4SE1/4;

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, NGE 48 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 3: All;

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, NGE 49 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 36: W1/2NE/4;

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, NGE 50 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 10: SW1/4S/4;

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Section 30: S1/2NE4; NE1/4SE1/4;

PARCEL 3:

TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RGE 50 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 15: All;
Section 21: All;
Section 23: All;

EXCEPTING THEREFROM ninety percent (90%) of the coal, oil, gas and other minerals every kind and nature whatsoever as reserved by STRATHEN CATTLE COMPANY in Deeds recorded May 25, 1959, in Book 25 of Deeds at Page 297, Eureka County, Nevada and recorded June 10, 1959, in Book 25 of Deeds at Page 310, Eureka County, Nevada records.

FURTHER EXCEPTING THEREFROM a strip of land 400 feet in width reserved by SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY, in Deed recorded June 20, 1958, in Book 25 of Deeds at Page 240, Eureka County, Nevada records.

PARCEL 4:

TOWNSHIP 29 NORTH, RGE 50 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 10: N1/2; S1/4; N1/2SE1/4; SE1/4SE1/4;

TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RGE 50 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 10: NE1/4NW1/4; S1/2NE1/4; SE1/4; SE1/4SW1/4;
Section 14: W1/2NW1/4; SW1/4; S1/2SE1/4;
Section 16: NE1/4NW1/4; S1/2NE1/4; SE1/4; SE1/4SW1/4;
Section 22: All;

EXCEPTING FROM all Parcel 4, except SE1/4SW1/4, Section 14, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RGE 50 EAST, all minerals in and under said land as reserved by UNITED STATES OF AMERICA in Patents recorded September 1, 1964, in Book 6 of Official Records at Page 34, Eureka County, Nevada records and recorded August 16, 1963, in Book 27 of Deeds at Page 9, Eureka County, Nevada
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records.

FURTHER EXCEPTING FM Parcels 1, 2, 3 and 4, an undivided one-half interest in and to all the right of DAN FILIPPINI as reserved by DAN FILIPPINI in Deed recorded January 6, 1966, in Book 9 of Official Records, Page 442, Eureka County, Nevada records and in Book 10 of Official Records at Page 266, Lander County, Nevada records.

FURTHER EXCEPTING FM Parcels 1, 2, 3 and 4, one-fourth of all brine, steam and geothermal rights in and under said land as reserved by DOYLE FCHILD by Deed recorded April 2, 1975, in Book 131 of Official Records at Page 147, Lander County, Nevada and recorded March , 1975, in Book 51 of Official Records at Page 202, Eureka Coty, Nevada records.

PARCEL 5:

TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, NGE 50 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 36: N1/2SW4; S1/2NE1/4;

EXCEPTING THEREFROM an undivided one-half interest in and to all oil, gas, coal, geothermal and steam and mineral rights of every kind and nature whatsoever in and under said land as reserved by DAN FILPINI in Deed recorded July 12, 1974, in Book 48, Page 525, Official Records, Eureka County, Nevada.

PARCEL 6:

TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, NGE 47 EAST, M.D.B.&M.

Section 13: NE1/4;

EXCEPTING FROM all the above described parcels an undivided one-half of the oil gas and mineral rights owned by Grantor as reserved by TED C. FROME and BETTY B. FROME in Deed recorded April 4, 1988, in Bk 175, Page 170, Official Records, Eureka County, Nevada and Book 309, Page 45, Official Records,
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FILE NO. FEES *16.00*

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State of Nevada Declaration of Value

1. Assessor Parcel Number:
 a) 7-350-15
 b) 5-590-01
 c) 5-340-40
 d) 5-340-37
2. Type of Property:
 a) Vacant Land b) Single Fam. Res.
 c) Condo/Townhouse d) 2-4 Plex
 e) Apt. Bldg. f) Comm'l/Ind'l
 g) Agricultural h) Mobile Home
 i) Other mineral rights

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Notes:	

3. Total Value/Sales Price Property: \$ _____
 Deduct Assumed Liens &/or Encumbrances: (_____)
 (Provide recording information: Doc/Instrument #: _____ Book: _____ Page: _____)

Transfer Tax Value per NRS 375.010, Section 2: \$ _____
 Real Property Transfer Tax Due: \$ _____

4. If Exemption Claimed
 a. Transfer Tax Exemption, per NRS 375.090, Section: _____
 b. Explain Reason for exemption: Paid on prior Deed in Book 323 Page 283
5. Partial Interest: Percent being transferred: _____ %

The undersigned Seller (Grantor) / Buyer (Grantee), declares and acknowledges, under penalty of perjury, pursuant to NRS 375.060 and NRS 375.110, that the information provided is true to the best of their information and belief, and can be supported by documentation if called upon to substantiate the information provided here. Furthermore, the parties agree that disallowance of any claimed exemption, or other determination of additional tax due, may result in a penalty of 10% of the tax due plus interest at 1 1/2% per month. Pursuant to NRS 375.030, the Buyer and Seller shall be jointly and severally liable for additional amount owed.

SELLER (GRANTOR) INFORMATION

BUYER (GRANTEE) INFORMATION

Seller Signature: _____
 Print Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____
 Telephone: (_____) _____
 Capacity: _____

Buyer Signature: Brian G. Iverson
 Print Name: Brian G. Iverson for Placer Dome U.S.
 Address: P.O. Box 2706
 City: Elko
 State: Nevada Zip: 89803
 Telephone: (775) 744-4227
 Capacity: Manager of Land Affairs

COMPANY REQUESTING RECORDING

Co. Name: Placer Dome U.S. Inc. Esc. #: _____

AS A PUBLIC RECORD THIS FORM MAY BE RECORDED/MICROFILMED