

ASSIGNMENT

This Assignment made effective this 16th day of June, 1999 by and between **Oro Nevada Mining Company, Inc.**, Nevada corporation, Assignor, and **Placer Dome U.S., Inc.**, a Nevada corporation, Assignee.

RECITALS

1. On or ab. July 7, 1998, Oro Nevada Mining Company, Inc. (hereinafter "Oro Nevada") entered into amended Mineral Rights Lease (the "Lease") with Linda Lou Stout. Such Lease is in full force and ect and is attached hereto as Exhibit "1."

2. On or abovlay 18, 1999, Oro Nevada and Placer Dome U.S., Inc. (hereinafter Placer Dome") entered into a Let of Intent whereby Placer Dome agreed to purchase certain property from Oro Nevada including the uses wherein Oro Nevada obtained interests in mineral rights on property within what is commonly lled the Dean Ranch located in Lander and Eureka Counties, Nevada.

AGREEMENT

1. The parties her confirm that the Recitals set out above are true and correct.

2. For valuable cderation, Oro Nevada hereby assigns to Placer Dome all of its right, title and interest of whatsoevernd character in and to the Lease. Placer Dome agrees to assume and hold Oro Nevada harmlessom all obligations imposed upon lessee, sublessee or optionee, as the case may be from and after thate of this Assignment.

DATED this 16th day of June, 1999.

ORO NEVADA MININCOMPANY, INC.

PLACER DOME U.S., INC.

By [Signature]
Its _____

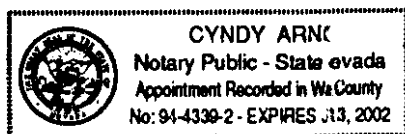
By [Signature]
Its Director - Land/legal Dept

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

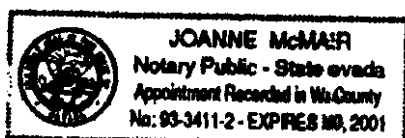
This instrument s acknowledged before me on this 6th day of June, 1999, by
Felice Cavalles, as VP Finance & CFO of Oro Nevada Mining Company, Inc.



[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC

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

This instrument s acknowledged before me on this 15th day of June, 1999, by
Dennis Lee, as DIRECTOR - LAND RECORDS of Placer Dome U.S., Inc.



[Signature]
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Exhibit "1"

[The text of Lease, or, than the description of the lands covered thereby, is intentionally omitted from this document, since the Lease provides for recording of a memorandum rather than the Lease itself.]

COPY

20. EXHIBIT

Property Deption, Maynard Alves Ranch, Parcel Three

Parcel Three contains 27,981.88 acres

Owners: Minerals & Coal

• Filini Heirs	25.00%
Maard Alves	12.50%
Ted. Frome	12.50%
Arne & Ellen Primeaux	25.00%
Neman & Grace Robear	16.67%
• Paula Suzanne Primeaux	8.33%

all of Parcel #3 except:

T28N, R49E, Sec. 1, 3, 9, 15, 23,

T28N, R50E, Sec. 1

T29N, R50E, Sec. 21(copper Only), 27

Paula Suzanne Primeaux 8.33%

the following segments of Parcel #3:

T28N, R49E, Sec. 1, 3, 9, 15, 23,

T28N, R50E, Sec. 1

T29N, R50E, Sec. 21(copper Only), 27

Parcel Desption:

<u>Township/Range</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Subdivision</u>	<u>Approx.</u> <u>Acres</u>
28N-49E	1	all	640.80
	3	all	640.68
	9	all	640.00
	11	all	640.00
	13	all	640.00
	15	all	640.00
	21	N1/2I	320.00
	23	all	640.00
28N-50E	1	Lots 1, 2	14.52
	3	Lots 1, 2	17.00
	5	Lots 1, 2	15.99
	7	all	625.57
	9	all	640.00
	11	all	640.00
	13	all	640.00
	15	all	640.00
	17	all	640.00
	19	all	628.28
	21	all	640.00
	23	all	640.00
28N-51E	5	all	601.08
	7	all	623.40
	9	all	640.00
29N-49E	11	all	640.00
	13	all	640.00

Township/Range Section Subdivision

Approx.

Acres

29N-50E	23	all	640.00
	25	all	640.00
	27	all	640.00
	35	all	640.00
	3	all	817.16
	5	all	816.20
	7	all	621.00
	9	all	640.00
	11	all	640.00
	13	E1/2, N1/2NW1/4, N1/2S1/2NW1/4, S1/2SW1/4, S1/2N1/2SW1/4	560.00
	15	all	640.00
	17	all	640.00
	19	all	624.00
	21	all	640.00
	23	all	640.00
	25	all	640.00
	27	all	640.00
	29	all	640.00
	31	all	625.80
	33	all	640.00
29N-51E	35	all	640.00
	31	all	590.40
Total			<u>27,981.88</u>

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OFFICIAL RECORDS
RECORDED AT THE REQUEST
Placer Dome US
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EUREKA COUNTY NEVAD
M.N. REBALEATI, RECORD
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