Recording requested by and rm to: HECLA MINING COANY Land Department 6500 Mineral Drive Coeur d'Alene, Idaho315-8788

AFFIDAVITE PAYMENT OF ANNUAL MAINTENANCE FEES & NOTICE ONTENT TO HOLD UNPATENTED MINING CLAIMS LOCATED THE COUNTY OF EUREKA, STATE OF NEVADA (3 UNPATENTED CLAIMS)

STATE OF IDAHO)
) ss
County of Kootenai)

The Undersigned and E. Cameron, certifies that the annual maintenance fees of \$100 per claim, in lieu of annuassessment work for the 2000-2001 assessment year (September 1, 2000 through August 31, 01), were paid to the U.S. Department of the Interior, State of Nevada Office of the Bureau of ad Management, pursuant to the Interior Department and Related Agencies Appropriations t of 1993, Public Law 103-66 of August 10, 1993, 107 Stat. 312, continued by Public Law 5-277 (H.R. 4328) of October 21, 1998, for each of the 3 unpatented mining claims further desped in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, which claims are ated in Sections 15 and 16, Township 31 North, Range 48 East, County of Eureka, State gevada.

That such fees we paid for the benefit of WFD Ltd. and Priority Minerals Ltd. (collectively referred to as WX Syndie), whose address is 347 Bay Street, Suite 201, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5H 2R7, the our of said claims as listed in Exhibit "A", for the purpose of complying with the laws of the United tates and the State of Nevada, and for the purpose of holding said claims.

Dated this <u>4</u> day September, 2001.

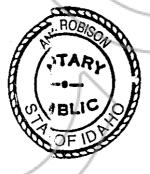
HECLA MINING COMPANY

By:

Donald E Cameron, Authorized Agent

Subscribed and sw to before me this 4th day of September, 2001.

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Notary Public

Residing at Hayden

My Commission Expires 10/31/2006

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EXHIBIT "A" NOTICE OFITENT TO HOLD UNPATENTED MINING CLAIMS & AFFIDAVOF PAYMENT OF ANNUAL MAINTENANCE FEES

The following 3 unpatted mining claims located in Sections 15 and 16, Township 31 North, Range 48 Eastureka County, Nevada:

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