

Recording requested by and on to:
HECLA MINING COMPANY
Land Department
6500 Mineral Drive
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 8315-8788

**AFFIDAVIT OF PAYMENT OF ANNUAL MAINTENANCE FEES &
NOTICE INTENT TO HOLD UNPATENTED MINING CLAIMS
LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF EUREKA, STATE OF NEVADA
(3 UNPATENTED CLAIMS)**

STATE OF IDAHO)
) ss.
County of Kootenai)

The Undersigned Donald E. Cameron, certifies that the annual maintenance fees of \$100 per claim, in lieu of annual assessment work for the 2000-2001 assessment year (September 1, 2000 through August 31, 2001), were paid to the U.S. Department of the Interior, State of Nevada Office of the Bureau of Land Management, pursuant to the Interior Department and Related Agencies Appropriations Act 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 described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, which claims are located in Sections 15 and 16, Township 31 North, Range 48 East, County of Eureka, State of Nevada.

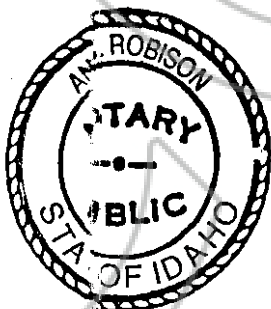
That such fees were paid for the benefit of WFD Ltd. and Priority Minerals Ltd. (collectively referred to as WX Syndie), whose address is 347 Bay Street, Suite 201, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5H 2R7, the owner of said claims as listed in Exhibit "A", for the purpose of complying with the laws of the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

Dated this 1st day September, 2001.

HECLA MINING COMPANY

By: *Donald E. Cameron*
Donald E. Cameron, Authorized Agent

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



Anna C. Robison
Notary Public
Residing at Hayden
My Commission Expires 10/31/2006

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EXHIBIT "A"
NOTICE ORTENT TO HOLD UNPATENTED MINING CLAIMS &
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The following 3 unpatted mining claims located in Sections 15 and 16, Township 31 North, Range 48 Eastureka County, Nevada:

<u>CLAIM NME</u>	<u>BLM NMC NO.</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
WC #2	359673	16 31N 48E
WC #19	359678	16 31N 48E
WC #20	359679	15 31N 48E 16 31N 48E

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EUREKA COUNTY NEVADA
M.N. REBALEATI, RECORDER
FILE NO. FEES 22⁵⁰

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