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Mike Blanchard
P.O. Box 29
Elko, Nevada 89801

VIA FAX: (775) 738-0029
And Regular Mail

Re: Payments to Eureka County Mitigation Fund

Dear Mike:

As we discussed during the Eureka County Commission meeting December 20, 2001, the County and Barrick have mutually agreed to modify the payment schedule contained in the Eureka County Mitigation Agreement of November 27, 1996, in order to accommodate the period of time the parties agreed to toll all payment pending the outcome of litigation.

Therefore, by our signatures below we understand and agree payments to the Eureka County Mitigation Fund shall be made in accordance with the following schedule:

on or before January 15, 2002	\$200,000
on or before January 15, 2003	\$200,000
on or before January 15, 2004	\$200,000
on or before January 15, 2005	\$200,000
on or before January 15, 2006	<u>\$100,000</u>
Total of payments to be made	\$900,000

The County acknowledges receipt of \$100,000 in 1997, which constitutes the first payment.

While all other aspects of the Eureka County Mitigation Agreement remain in force, only the payment schedule has here been modified by this letter. To expedite this, we agree to accept faxed signatures.

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AGREED TO TH 31 day of December, 2001.

BARRICK GOLDSTRIKMINES INC.:

BY: *Stacy*
GENERAL MANAGER

AGREED TO TH 9 day of ~~December~~, 2001. ^{January, 2002.}

EUREKA COUNTY:

BY: *Pete Goicoechea*
County Commissioner

Attest: *Lera Baumann*
Deputy Clerk

Mike, please reviewis, execute it, and send it back to me for signature by Pete Goicoechea, the County Commission Cir. I will then send a copy back to you.

Truly,



Theodore Beutel
Eureka County District Attorney

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