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BARRICK GOLD OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.
ATTN: TASHA LIEBSACK
293 SPRUCE ROAD
ELKO, NV 89801

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**AFFIDAVIT OF MAINTENANCE FEE PAYMENT
AND
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD CLAIMS**

STATE OF NEVADA)
: ss.
COUNTY OF ELKO)

Robert Brock, being duly sworn, says:

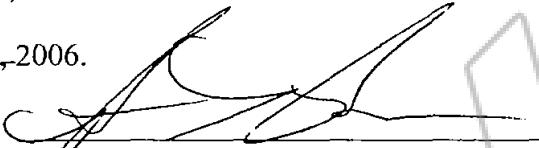
Being duly authorized, I make this affidavit on behalf of Cortez Joint Venture, HC 66 Box 1250, Crescent Valley, NV 89821.

1. Pursuant to the provisions of 30 U.S.C. §§ 28f-k and 43 C.F.R. §§ 3834.10 to -23, a claim maintenance fee of \$125.00 is to be paid to the Bureau of Land Management for each non-exempt mining claim, mill site, or tunnel site for the assessment year ending September 1, 2006, in lieu of the requirement to perform and record affidavits of proof of annual assessment work for mining claims and to record a notice of intent to hold mill sites under 30 U.S.C. §§ 28-28e and 43 U.S.C. § 1744.
2. On August 14, 2006, Cortez Gold Mines timely paid the federal claim maintenance fee of \$125.00 for each of the claims and/or mill sites identified in the attached Exhibit A ("Claims and Mill Sites"), in accordance with federal law.
3. The name and current mailing address of the owner of the Claims and Mill Sites is Cortez Joint Venture, HC 66 Box 1250, Crescent Valley, NV 89821.
4. The serial number assigned to each Claim and Mill Site by the Bureau of Land Management is shown on Exhibit A.
5. Notwithstanding any defect of deficiency in the foregoing affidavit, the undersigned states that it is not her intention, nor the intention of the owner of the Claims and Mill Sites, to abandon or otherwise relinquish their interest in any of the Claims and Mill

Buckhorn Mine

Sites. It is the owner's intention to hold each of the Claims and Mill Sites through the assessment year ending September 1, 2007.

DATED this 13 day of October, 2006.


Robert Brock
Senior Landman

STATE OF NEVADA)
: ss.
COUNTY OF ELKO)

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 13 day of October, 2006.




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My Commission Expires:

Feb. 25, 2009

Buckhorn Mine

EXHIBIT A
BUCKHORN MINE

Property: BUCKHORN MINE JV
Owner: PLACER DOME U.S. INC.

PRN: I848

Date:07/05/2006

Claim	Name	BLM Prefix	BLM #	Location Date	Twn	Range	Section	County	State	Book	Page	Doc #	Amended?
ASPEN 2		NMC	116388	27N 48E	25	Eureka	NV	117	217				
ASPEN 3		NMC	116389	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	217				
ASPEN 4		NMC	116390	27N 48E	25	Eureka	NV	117	218				
ASPEN 12		NMC	116398	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	218				
ASPEN 13		NMC	116399	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	219				
ASPEN 14		NMC	116400	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	227				
ASPEN 15		NMC	116401	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	228				
ASPEN 17		NMC	116403	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	229				
ASPEN 18		NMC	116404	26N 49E	6	Eureka	NV	117	230				
ASPEN 20		NMC	116406	26N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	230				
ASPEN 21		NMC	116407	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	232				
ASPEN 22		NMC	116408	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	233				
ASPEN 23		NMC	116409	26N 49E	6	Eureka	NV	117	233				
ASPEN 24		NMC	116410	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	235				
ASPEN 25		NMC	116411	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	236				
ASPEN 26		NMC	116412	27N 49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	237				
ASPEN 27		NMC	116413	26N 49E	5	Eureka	NV	117	238				
ASPEN 28		NMC	116414	26N 49E	6	Eureka	NV	117	240				
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				26N 49E	6	Eureka	NV	117	243				
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ASPEN 37	NMC	116423			27N	49E	31	Eureka	NV	117	250		
ASPEN 38	NMC	116424			26N	49E	5	Eureka	NV	117	250		
ASPEN 39	NMC	116425			27N	49E	32	Eureka	NV	117	251		
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ASPEN 43	NMC	116429			27N	49E	32	Eureka	NV	117	252		
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BUC 4	NMC	368063			27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	117	272		
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BUC 6	NMC	368065			27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	144	549		
BUC 7	NMC	368066			27N	49E	18	Eureka	NV	144	550		
BUC 8	NMC	368067			27N	49E	18	Eureka	NV	144	551		
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BUCKAROO 20	NMC	116495		27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	117	363			
BUCKAROO 21	NMC	116496		27N	49E	20	Eureka	NV	117	364			

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BUCKAROO 34	NMC	116509	27N	49E	30	Eureka	NV	117	373		
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BUCKAROO 362	NMC	116640		27N	49E	16	Eureka	NV	117	508			
BUCKAROO 374	NMC	116652		27N	49E	19	Lander	NV	117	509			
BUCKHORN 1	NMC	293862		27N	49E	18	Eureka	NV	117	509			
BUCKHORN 2	NMC	293863		27N	49E	29	Eureka	NV	117	521			
BUCKHORN 3	NMC	293864		27N	49E	31	Eureka	NV	119	52			
BUCKHORN 4	NMC	293865		27N	49E	32	Eureka	NV	119	52			
BUCKHORN 5	NMC	293866		27N	49E	32	Eureka	NV	119	53			
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CITIZEN FRACTION 1	NMC	116452		27N	48E	30	Lander	NV	117	192			
HUMBOLDT 3	NMC	116453		27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	117	192			

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ORO 3	NMC	116457		27N	49E	30	Eureka	NV	117	197		
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ORO 6	NMC	116460		27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	117	200		
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SAGE 100	NMC	247025		27N	49E	30	Eureka	NV	117	193		
SAGE 101	NMC	287515		27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	116	406		
SAGE 102	NMC	287516		27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	116	406		
SAGE 103	NMC	287517		27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	117	204		
SAGE 104	NMC	287518		27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	117	292		
SAGE 105	NMC	287519		27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	116	406		
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SAGE 107	NMC	287521		27N	49E	30	Eureka	NV	116	407		
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SAGE 111	NMC	287525		27N	49E	30	Eureka	NV	116	411		
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SANTA FE FRACTION	NMC	116464		27N	49E	19	Eureka	NV	117	205			
TUFA	NMC	116465		27N	48E	25	Eureka	NV	117	215			
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UP 3	NMC	116467		27N	49E	29	Eureka	NV	117	206			
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UP 5	NMC	116469		27N	49E	29	Eureka	NV	117	207			
UP 6	NMC	116470		27N	49E	30	Eureka	NV	117	208			
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UP 9	NMC	116473		27N	49E	29	Eureka	NV	117	211			
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