

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

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EUREKA COUNTY, NEVADA
M.N. REBALEATI, RECORDER
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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:

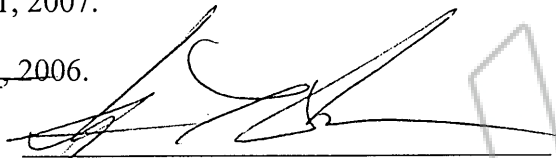
Being duly authorized, I make this affidavit on behalf of Miranda USA Inc., 5900 Philoree Lane, Reno, NV 89511.

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 Miranda USA Inc., 5900 Philoree Lane, Reno, NV 89511.
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 or 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

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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 13th 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

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EXHIBIT A BUCKHORN MINE

Date: 07/05/2006

Property: MIRANDA (FUSE-WESTERN)
Owner: MIRANDA USA, INC.

PRN: 1350

Claim Name	BLM Prefix	BLM #	Location Date	Twn	Range	Section	County	State	Book	Page	Doc #	Amended? Y=Yes
FUSE 58	NMC	889575	27N	50E	32	Eureka	NV		403	360		
FUSE 59	NMC	889576	27N	50E	33	Eureka	NV		403	360		
FUSE 60	NMC	889577	27N	50E	32	Eureka	NV		403	361		
FUSE 61	NMC	889578	27N	50E	32	Eureka	NV		403	363		
FUSE 62	NMC	889579	27N	50E	32	Eureka	NV		403	364		
FUSE 63	NMC	889580	27N	50E	32	Eureka	NV		403	365		
FUSE 64	NMC	889581	26N	50E	5	Eureka	NV		403	366		
FUSE 65	NMC	889582	27N	50E	32	Eureka	NV		403	367		
FUSE 67	NMC	889584	26N	50E	17	Eureka	NV		403	369		
FUSE 69	NMC	889586	26N	50E	17	Eureka	NV		403	371		
FUSE 74	NMC	889591	26N	50E	5	Eureka	NV		403	376		
FUSE 75	NMC	889592	27N	50E	32	Eureka	NV		403	376		
FUSE 76	NMC	889593	26N	50E	5	Eureka	NV		403	378		
FUSE 77	NMC	889594	26N	50E	5	Eureka	NV		403	379		
FUSE 78	NMC	889595	26N	50E	8	Eureka	NV		403	380		
FUSE 79	NMC	889596	26N	50E	8	Eureka	NV		403	381		
FUSE 80	NMC	889597	26N	50E	8	Eureka	NV		403	382		
FUSE 81	NMC	889598	26N	50E	17	Eureka	NV		403	383		
FUSE 82	NMC	889599	26N	50E	8	Eureka	NV		403	383		
Number of Claims for this PRN (Property): 19												
Number of Claims for this Project: 19												

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