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

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Recording requested By  
CORTEZ JOINT VENTURE

Eureka County - NV

Mike 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 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, 2008, 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 July 29, 2008, 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

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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, 2009.

DATED this 9 day of October, 2008.

  
Robert Brock  
Senior Landman

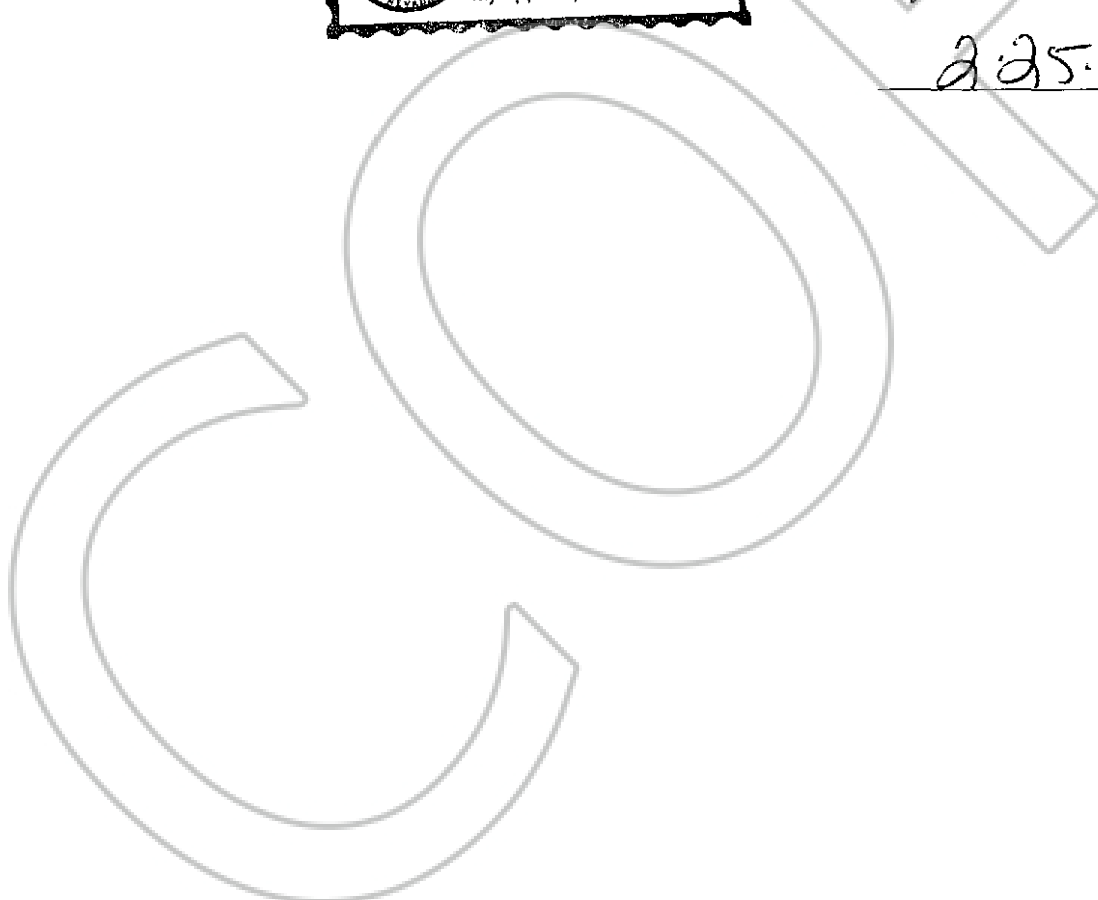
STATE OF NEVADA        )  
                                      : ss.  
COUNTY OF ELKO        )

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 9 day of October, 2008.



  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:  
2.25.09



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**Exhibit A  
CORTEZ MINE**

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Claim Group: 1315 - Gavel Claims-Teck Owner: CORTEZ JOINT VENTURE		Location		Twn	Range	Section	Book & Page/Doc	Amended?
Claim Name	BLM #	Date	State	County				
GAVEL 35	NMC 714789	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 12
					26N	48E	29	
GAVEL 36	NMC 714790	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 13
					26N	48E	29	
GAVEL 37	NMC 714791	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 14
GAVEL 38	NMC 714792	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 15
GAVEL 39	NMC 714793	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 16
GAVEL 40	NMC 714794	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 17
GAVEL 41	NMC 714795	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 18
GAVEL 42	NMC 714796	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 19
GAVEL 43	NMC 714797	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 20
GAVEL 44	NMC 714798	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 21
GAVEL 45	NMC 714799	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 22
GAVEL 46	NMC 714800	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 23
GAVEL 47	NMC 714801	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 24
GAVEL 48	NMC 714802	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 25
GAVEL 49	NMC 714803	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 26
GAVEL 50	NMC 714804	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 27
GAVEL 51	NMC 714805	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 28
GAVEL 52	NMC 714806	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 282 Pg 29

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**Exhibit A  
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GAVEL 53	NMC 714807	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 30	
					26N	48E	20		
GAVEL 54	NMC 714808	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 31	
					26N	48E	20		
GAVEL 55	NMC 714809	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 32	
GAVEL 56	NMC 714810	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 33	
GAVEL 57	NMC 714811	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 34	
GAVEL 58	NMC 714812	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 35	
GAVEL 59	NMC 714813	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 36	
GAVEL 60	NMC 714814	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 37	
GAVEL 61	NMC 714815	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 38	
GAVEL 62	NMC 714816	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 39	
GAVEL 63	NMC 714817	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 40	
GAVEL 64	NMC 714818	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 41	
GAVEL 65	NMC 714819	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 42	
GAVEL 66	NMC 714820	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 43	
GAVEL 67	NMC 714821	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 44	
GAVEL 68	NMC 714822	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 282 Pg 45	
GAVEL 25	NMC 716827	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 129	
GAVEL 26	NMC 716828	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 130	

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GAVEL 27	NMC 716829	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 131	
GAVEL 28	NMC 716830	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 132	
GAVEL 29	NMC 716831	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 133	
GAVEL 30	NMC 716832	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 134	
GAVEL 31	NMC 716833	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 135	
GAVEL 32	NMC 716834	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 136	
GAVEL 33	NMC 716835	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 137	
GAVEL 34	NMC 716836	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 138	
GAVEL 69	NMC 716837	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 283 Pg 139	
GAVEL 70	NMC 716838	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 283 Pg 140	
GAVEL 71	NMC 716839	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 283 Pg 141	
GAVEL 72	NMC 716840	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 283 Pg 142	
GAVEL 73	NMC 716841	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 283 Pg 143	
GAVEL 74	NMC 716842	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 283 Pg 144	
GAVEL 75	NMC 716843	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 283 Pg 145	
GAVEL 76	NMC 716844	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 283 Pg 146	
GAVEL 77	NMC 716845	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	17	Bk 283 Pg 147	
GAVEL 97	NMC 716857	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 283 Pg 148	
GAVEL 99	NMC 716858	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 283 Pg 149	

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GAVEL 101	NMC 716860	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	20	Bk 283 Pg 151	
GAVEL 102	NMC 716861	Mar/31/95	Nevada	Eureka	26N	48E	29	Bk 283 Pg 152	
Number of Claims for this Claim Group: 58									
Total Claims: 58									
Total Claims in Eureka County: 58									

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