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Subject: RE: Permit Modification 23-1, Application to Release All Financial Assurance, Silver Silica Mine, Santa Fe County,

New Mexico, Permit No. SF003ME; NMDGF No. NMERT-2550.

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Hi Carmen,

The Department of Game and Fish (Department) has reviewed the above referenced permit modification application submitted by Oro Blanco Mining Company, LLC (Oro Blanco). Oro Blanco is requesting the release of all remaining financial assurance for the Silver Silica Mine. Staff from the Department, MMD, Bureau of Land Management, New Mexico Environment Department, Office of State Engineer, and the Operator conducted a site inspection on 11 May 2023.

Based on observations during the site inspection and the results of MMD's Vegetation Survey Report, the Department does not have any issues or concerns with the release of financial assurance for the 0.5 acres of reclamation performed at the Silver Silica Mine site.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Truly, Ron

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