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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 8
1595 Wynkoop Street
DENVER, CO 80202-1129
Phone 800-227-8917
http://www.epa.gov/region08

Ref: 8ENF-L

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Zurich Insurance
1400 American Lane
Schaumburg, Illinois 60196

Re: Request for Information Pursuant to Section 104 of CERCLA
Gilt Edge Mine Site, Lawrence County, South Dakota
Nelson Tunnel/Commodore Waste Rock Pile, Creede, Colorado

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter seeks your cooperation in providing information and documents relating to Congdon and Carey, Congdon and Carey Ltd 3, Congdon and Carey Ltd 5, Minerals Engineering Company, and CoCa Mines Inc., former owners and/or operators of the Gilt Edge Mine Superfund Site located in Lawrence County, South Dakota and/or the Nelson Tunnel/Commodore Waste Rock Pile Superfund Site. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is writing this letter to you because we have information that indicates that your company or its predecessor, Maryland Casualty Company, issued liability insurance to at least one of these entities that may cover claims relating to releases of hazardous substances at the referenced sites. EPA is currently investigating the nature and extent of contamination and past operations at these Superfund sites.

Pursuant to the authority of Section 104 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. § 9604, as amended, you are hereby requested to respond to the Information Request set forth in Enclosure 1, attached hereto. EPA seeks your voluntary cooperation in this investigation. Your compliance with the Information Request is appreciated and is required by law. Please provide a complete and truthful response to this Information Request within **thirty (30) days** of your receipt of this letter. Section 104 of CERCLA, 43 U.S.C. Section 9604, authorizes EPA to pursue penalties for failure to meet that deadline or failure to respond adequately. In addition, providing false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations may subject you to criminal penalties under 18 U.S.C. Section 1001.

This Information Request is not subject to the approval requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, 44 U.S.C. §§ 3501, et seq.

Your response to this request must be accompanied by a notarized certificate that is signed and dated by the person who is authorized by you to respond to this request. The notarized certificate must state that the response submitted to EPA is complete and contains all documents and information responsive to this request that are known to you following a complete and thorough review of all information and sources available to you. A suggested format for the notarized certificate is included with this request as Enclosure 2.

Your response to this Information Request should be mailed to:

Sharon Abendschan, Enforcement Specialist
U.S. EPA Region 8
Technical Enforcement Program, 8ENF-RC
1595 Wynkoop Street
Denver, Colorado 80202

If you have any questions relating to this Information Request, please contact Andrea Madigan, EPA Enforcement Attorney, at (303) 312-6904. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Kelcey Land, Director
Technical Enforcement Program,
Office of Enforcement, Compliance,
And Environmental Justice

Matthew Cohn, Supervisory Attorney
Legal Enforcement Program,
Office of Enforcement, Compliance,
And Environmental Justice

Enclosure

ENCLOSURE 1

INFORMATION REQUEST
Instructions

1. Please provide a separate narrative response to each and every Question and subpart of a Question set forth in this Information Request.

2. Precede each answer with the number of the Question to which it corresponds.

3. If information or documents not known or not available to you as of the date of submission of a response to this Information Request should later become known or available to you, you must supplement your response to EPA. Moreover, should you find, at any time after the submission of your response, that any portion of the submitted information is false or misrepresents the truth, you must notify EPA of this fact as soon as possible and provide EPA with a corrected response.

4. For each document produced in response to this Information Request, indicate on the document, or in some other reasonable manner, the number of the Question to which it corresponds.

5. The information requested herein must be provided even though the Respondent may contend that it includes possibly confidential information or trade secrets. You may, if you desire, assert a confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information requested, pursuant to Sections 104(e)(7)(E) and (F) of CERCLA, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e)(7)(E) and F, Section 3007(b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6927(b), and 40 C.F.R. 2.203(b), by attaching to such information at the time it is submitted, a cover sheet, stamped or typed legend, or other suitable form of notice employing language such as "trade secret," or "proprietary" or "company confidential." Information covered by such a claim will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent, and only by means of the procedures set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, 41 Fed. Reg. 36,902 (1976) (amended at 43 Fed. Reg. 40,000 (1978), and 50 Fed. Reg 51,661 (1985)). If no such claim accompanies the information when it is received by EPA, it may be made available to the public by EPA without further notice to you. You should read the above cited regulations carefully before asserting a business confidentiality claim, since certain categories of information are not properly the subject of such a claim.

6. All terms not defined herein shall have their ordinary meaning, unless such terms are defined in CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Section 9601 et seq., RCRA, 42 U.S.C. Section 6901 et seq., or Volume 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), in which case such statutory or regulatory definitions shall apply.

7. Identify the person(s) answering these Questions on behalf of Respondent.

8. For each and every Question contained herein, identify all persons consulted in the preparation of the answer.

9. For each and every Question contained herein, identify documents consulted, examined, or referred to in the preparation of the answer or that contain information responsive to the Question and provide accurate copies of all such documents.

10. If you have reason to believe that there may be persons able to provide a more detailed or complete response to any Question contained herein or who may be able to provide additional responsive documents, identify such persons and the additional information or documents they may have.

11. For each and every Question contained herein, if information or documents responsive to this Information Request are not in your possession or control, then identify the persons from whom such information or documents may be obtained.

Definitions

The following definitions shall apply to the following words as they appear in this Enclosure 1:

1. The term "you" or "Respondent" shall mean the addressee of this Request, the addressee's officers, managers, employees, predecessors, successors, assigns, and agents.

2. The term "identify" means, with respect to a natural person, to set forth the person's name, present or last known business address and business telephone number, present or last known home address and home telephone number, and present or last known job title, position or business.

3. The term "identify" means, with respect to a corporation, partnership, business trust or other association or business entity (including a sole proprietorship) to set forth its full name, address, legal form (e.g., corporation, partnership, etc.), organization, if any, and a brief description of its business.

QUESTIONS

1. Please provide copies of all casualty, liability and/or pollution insurance policies brokered by Respondent (or Respondent's predecessors) and issued to Congdon and Carey, Congdon and Carey Ltd 3, Congdon and Carey Ltd 5, Minerals Engineering Company, and/or CoCa Mines Inc., from 1960 to present, including but not limited to comprehensive general liability, primary, umbrella and excess policies, as well as any environmental impairment liability or pollution legal liability insurance.

2. If there are any casualty, liability and/or pollution insurance policies brokered by Respondent (or Respondent's predecessors) and issued to Congdon and Carey, Congdon and Carey Ltd 3, Congdon and Carey Ltd 5, Minerals Engineering Company, and/or CoCa Mines Inc., from 1960 to present of which you have any evidence, or are aware, but have no copies, identify each such policy to the best of your ability by identifying:

a. The name and address of each insurer and of the insured;
b. The type of policy and policy numbers;
c. The per occurrence or per accident policy limits of each policy; and
d. The commencement and expiration dates of such policy.

3. To the extent not identified in Questions 1 or 2 above, provide all other evidence of casualty, liability and/or pollution insurance issued to Congdon and Carey, Congdon and Carey Ltd 3, Congdon and Carey Ltd 5, Minerals Engineering Company, and/or CoCa Mines Inc., from 1960 to present.

4. For each policy of insurance identified in Questions 1, 2 or 3 above, provide copies of all underwriting files, claim files, loss control files, and premium audits, as well as any accounting records including retrospective rating adjustments, for each such policy.

5. Please provide all documents and files that constitute, evidence, refer, or relate to claims made by Congdon and Carey, Congdon and Carey Ltd 3, Congdon and Carey Ltd 5, Minerals Engineering Company, and/or CoCa Mines Inc., under any of the policies identified in Questions 1, 2 or 3.

6. Identify all previous settlements involving Congdon and Carey, Congdon and Carey Ltd 3, Congdon and Carey Ltd 5, Minerals Engineering Company, and/or CoCa Mines Inc., which relate in any way to environmental liabilities and/or to casualty, liability and/or pollution insurance coverage, including :

a. The date of the settlement;
b. The scope of release provided under such settlement;
c. The amount of money paid pursuant to such settlement.

7. Provide copies of all settlement agreements identified in response to Question 6.

8. Identify any other insurance agencies or brokerage firms that placed any casualty, liability and/or pollution insurance policies issued to Congdon and Carey, Congdon and Carey Ltd 3, Congdon and Carey Ltd 5, Minerals Engineering Company, and/or CoCa Mines Inc., from 1960 to present. Include the name, address, telephone number and time period when the agency placed such insurance.

ENCLOSURE 2

NOTARIZED CERTIFICATE

I,_____, having been duly sworn and being of legal age, hereby state: .

1. I am the person authorized by _____ to respond to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) request for information concerning the Gilt Edge Mine Site in Lawrence County, South Dakota and the Nelson Tunnel/Commodore Site in Creede, Colorado .

2. I have made a complete and thorough review of all documents, information, and sources relevant to the request.

3. I hereby certify that the attached response to EPA's request is complete and contains all information and documents responsive to the request.

(SEAL)

_____
(Signature) (Name, Title)
Subscribed and sworn to me
this __ day of_____, 2010.

_____
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
My address is:

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Environmental Protection Agency
REGION 8
1595 Wynkoop Street
Denver, CO 80202-1129 8ENF-L-AM

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Schaumburg, Illinois 60196

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David Donohue/ZI/USA/Zurich
01/25/2011 11:24 AM

To Cherie Lee/Contractor/ZI/USA/Zurich@Zurich
cc
bcc
Subject Re: Files 912-106095 & 985-27506

Zurich Point

Yes, let's get file number 98527505 from Iron Mountain.

Thanks again,

Dave

David Donohue
MCU Specialist
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Schaumburg, IL 60196-1056
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Cherie Lee/Contractor/ZI/USA/Zurich
01/25/2011 11:10 AM

To David Donohue/ZI/USA/Zurich@Zurich
cc
Subject Re: Files 912-106095 & 985-27506

I checked with Brenda, she looked up the information for 985-27506 Coco Mines and the file is not there-it might be a Trail File. There is a 985-27505 Coco Mines. Do you want that instead? It is at Iron Mountain.

On File 912-106095 Coco Mines, Jeanne Myers has been searching for the file since April 2007 and it has not been located.

Cherie Lee
Zurich
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1400 American Lane
Tower 2, Floor 7
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847-605-6772 Direct Dial

David Donohue/ZI/USA/Zurich

David Donohue/ZI/USA/Zurich
01/25/2011 10:21 AM

To Cherie Lee/Contractor/ZI/USA/Zurich@Zurich
cc
Subject Re: Files 912-106095 & 985-27506

Can we check with Iron Mountain (and any other offsite storage location we typically use) just to make sure the files never ended up there?

Thanks,

Dave

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Cherie Lee/Contractor/ZI/USA/Zurich

Cherie Lee/Contractor/ZI/USA/Zurich
01/25/2011 10:19 AM

To David Donohue/ZI/USA/Zurich@Zurich
cc
Subject Re: Files 912-106095 & 985-27506

Hello David

Regarding the following information on the two files:

On File 912-106095 Coco Mines, from Shannon Steves' notes in EZAccess: "Our file has never been located and we have been informed that case has settled. We are closing our file. Waiving closing macro.".

On File 985-27506 Coco Mines, it was closed from Baltimore in 2001 and the location of the File has not been determined because Baltimore closed it.

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January 24, 2011

Mr. Michael Clary
CoCa Mines, Inc.
6500 N. Mineral Dr., Ste. 200
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815-9408

RE:	Our Insured:	CoCa Mines, Inc.
	Our Policy No.:	SMP 31501167
	Claimant/Site:	The United States Department of Justice/The Gilt Edge Mine Site, Lawrence County, South Dakota
	Our Claim No.:	9120116423

Dear Mr. Clary:

This will serve to acknowledge our receipt of CoCa Mines, Inc.'s ("CoCa's") first notice of loss concerning the above-captioned matter. Please direct all future correspondence and phone calls to my attention, being sure to reference the proper claim number.

Zurich

Enviromental Claims
1400 American Lane
Schaumburg, IL 60196-4032
P.O. Box 4032
Schaumburg, IL 60618-4032

Phone (847) 605-6155

Due to the limited information received to date, Northern Insurance Co. of New York ("Northern") must generally reserve its rights under any insurance policies it may have issued to CoCa, including the policy referenced above. Additionally, we are currently investigating the coverage that may be applicable to this matter. In this regard, please provide us with the following information:

1) Copies of the legal agreements executed between a) Congdon & Carey and CoCa, and b) Hecla Mining and Coca by which the liabilities associated with the Gilt Edge Mine Site ("the GEM site") were transferred.

2) Information concerning the ownership history of the GEM site, including what operations were performed there by each entity involved (to the extent you have this information). At a minimum, please provide us with detailed information concerning the activities conducted by both Congdon & Carey and CoCa during their tenure at the GEM site.

3) All information provided to CoCa by the United States Department of

Justice ("USDOJ") to date.

4) All information that CoCa has otherwise gathered and/or received (from any party) with regard to its alleged liability for the contamination at the GEM site.

5) Further information concerning the two other carriers and/or policies that have been identified for CoCa. In this regard, please provide us with copies of the policies at issue, as well as a copy of your notice letter to each carrier.

6) Information concerning your search for any applicable insurance that may have been purchased by Congdon & Carey.

7) Information concerning any potentially applicable insurance that Hecla Mining may have for this loss. To wit, any insurance issued to Hecla Mining that may provide coverage for the predecessor liability of CoCa and/or Congdon & Carey.

Once we have received the aforementioned information and otherwise completed our coverage analysis, we will contact you. In the meantime, please call me directly at (847) 605-8612 should you have any immediate questions.

Sincerely,

Northern Insurance Co. of New York

David Donohue
MCU Specialist
david.donohue@zurichna.com

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David Donohue/ZI/USA/Zurich
01/24/2011 03:44 PM

To USZ_Env_Claims_Policysearch_Requests@Zurich
cc
bcc
Subject File # 9120116587, "CoCa Mines, Inc."

Zurich Point

Please conduct a search for policy # SMP 31501167, allegedly issued to "Coca Mines, Inc." and effective from 12/24/80-12/24/83. (Please note the policy was originally written by Northern Insurance Co. of NY.)

Thanks,

Dave

David Donohue
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David Donohue/ZI/USA/Zurich
01/24/2011 03:42 PM

To USZ_Env_Claims_Claimfilerequests@Zurich
cc
bcc
Subject Please retrieve file #s 9120106095 & 9850027506 from storage

Zurich Point

David Donohue
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Shannon

CLAIM SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

Date/time given to Adjuster:___ Date/time given by Adjuster to Support Staff:_

Adjuster Assigned to: Dave

CURRENT CLAIM #: 9/20/16587 CANCEL?: YES ____ NO X

INSURED: CoCaMines CLAIMANT: USDOJ

POLICY NUMBER: SMP 3/501167 MODULE: _____

*Note - Policy not in CIID/CESAR, but a copy is attached!

DATE OF LOSS: 12/25/80 SETUP TYPE: R X L___ C___

4 SERIES TYPE: AUTO: 55 and 56 (USE AOL OF 781) VAL-ID NCPBI for BI ____ NCPPD for PD ___

5 SERIES TYPE: PROPERTY: Refer to CESAR LOB as directed by Policy and quick reference guide.

9 SERIES TYPE: GENERAL LIABILITY: See all choices for VAL-ID and Accident Description Code below

VAL-ID PLLBI: _____ (ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION CODES BELOW)

252 OPERATIONS CHEMICALS/SMOKE/FUME/PAINT
258 OPERATIONS COMPLETED OPERATIONS ALL OTHER
261 PRODUCTS CAUSE NOT LISTED
268 MISC UNCLASSIFIED LIABILITY

600-603 See WTC set up instructions

VAL-ID PLLPD: 268 (ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION CODES BELOW)

252 OPERATIONS CHEM/SMOKE/FUMES/PAINT
258 OPERATIONS COMPLETED ALL OTHER
261 PRODUCTS CAUSE NOT LISTED
268 MISCELLANEOUS
952 POLLUTION PD KEROSENE SPILL STORAGE
953 POLLUTION PD WASTE OIL STORAGE
954 POLLUTION PD FUEL OIL STORAGE
955 POLLUTION PD AVIATION FUEL STORAGE
956 POLLUTION PD LUBRICATION OIL STORAGE
957 POLLUTION PD PESTICIDE STORAGE
958 POLLUTION PD FERTILIZER STORAGE
959 POLLLUTION PD SPILL NEAR EMPTY TANK
950 POLLUTION PD GAS SPILL STORAGE TANK
951 POLLUTION PD DIESEL SPILL STORAGE TANK
960 POLLUTION PD OTHER TYPE SPILL STORAGE

600-603 See WTC set up instructions

AGENT OF LOSS CODE: 795 (APPLIES TO ONLY 5 & 9 SERIES CLAIMS)

140 Reactive Drywall
770 SILT
771 FUGITIVE DUST
774 TOXIC WASTE CLEAN-UP-TP REMEDIATION
775 TOXIC WASTE CLEAN-UP-TP
776 CHEMICAL MISAPPLICATION/OVER-SPRAY
777 GOV. REMEDIATION ACTION
778 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK
779 LIMITED POLLUTION COVERAGE
795 ALL OTHER POLLUTION

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTER: SEND TO: _____

STANDARD CLAIM ____
STANDARD SUIT ____
NOTICE ONLY ____
TRANSFER ____
OTHER ____

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: _____

Claim Registration Form

Record: 25437

Date Received by Environmental: 1/24/2011

Source: Assignment Queue

Date Reported to Zurich:

Registration Date: 1/25/2011

Received Claim No: 9120116587

Cancelled: ☐ Total Claim No: 9120116587

Transferred: ☐ Where:

Insured: CoCa Mines Inc

Policy Number: SMP 31501167

Claimant/Site: United States

Primary ☐ Excess ☐ Business Unit:

Loss Type: Release of hazardous substance.

Date of Loss: 12/25/1980

MAS Assigned: Marthaler, Andy

A/S Assigned: DONOHUE, DAVID

Support Staff: Speer, Brenda

Date Assigned to Support Staff: 1/25/2011

☐ Acknowledged By Mail

☑ Z-Notes Entered

☑ Physical File Made

Additional Comments:

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Brenda

Claim Registration Form

Record: 25437

Date Received by Environmental: 1/24/2011 Source: Assignment Queue

Received Claim No: 9120116587

Date Reported to Zurich:

Cancelled ☐ Env. Claim No:

Registration Date:

Transferred ☐ Where:

Insured: CoCa Mines Inc

Policy Number: SMP 31501167

Claimant/Site: United States

Primary ☐ Excess ☐ Business Unit:

Loss Type: Release of hazardous substance.

Date of Loss: 12/25/1980

MAS Assigned: Marthaler, Andy

A/S Assigned: DONOHUE, DAVID

Support Staff:

Date Assigned to Support Staff:

☐ Acknowledged By Mail

☐ Z-Notes Entered

☐ Physical File Made

Additional Comments:

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Duplicate Search: By Date of Loss Search

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Claim Registration Form

Record: 25437

Date Received by Environmental: 1/24/2011 Source: Assignment Queue

Received Claim No: 9120116587

Date Reported to Zurich:

Cancelled ☐ Env. Claim No:

Registration Date:

Transferred ☐ Where:

Insured: CoCa Mines Inc

Policy Number: 0

Claimant/Site: United States

Primary ☐ Excess ☐ Business Unit:

Loss Type: Release of hazardous substance.

Date of Loss: 12/24/1983

MAS Assigned: Stevens, Shannon

A/S Assigned:

Support Staff:

Date Assigned to Support Staff:

☐ Acknowledged By Mail

☐ Z-Notes Entered

☐ Physical File Made

Additional Comments:

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Duplicate Search By Date of Loss Search

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January 21, 2011

RE:Claim #:	9120116587
Insured:	CoCa Mines Inc
Date of Loss:	12/24/1983
Claimant:	United States
Reported By:	Michael Clary
Reported By Phone #:	

Care Center Notes:
Reported by: Michael Clary Channel reported: FAX CSR Name: Kevin Tacey

January 21, 2011

RE: Claim #: 9120116587
Insured: CoCa Mines Inc
Date of Loss: 12/24/1983
Claimant: United States

Participant Listing:

Participant Last Name	First Name	Role
United States		3rd Party Property Owner

9120116587

ACORD™ GENERAL LIABILITY NOTICE OF OCCURRENCE/CLAIM

DATE 01/21/11

PRODUCER | PHONE (A/C, No, Ext):

NOTICE OF OCCURRENCE | NOTICE OF CLAIM

DATE OF OCCURRENCE AND TIME: 12/24/1983 12:00 [X] AM [ ] PM

DATE OF CLAIM

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED [ ] YES [ ] NO

EFFECTIVE DATE | EXPIRATION DATE | POLICY TYPE [ ] OCCURRENCE [ ] CLAIMS MADE | RETROACTIVE DATE

COMPANY: Zurich American Insurance Co. | NAIC CODE: | MISCELLANEOUS INFO (Site & location code)

CODE: | SUB CODE: | POLICY NUMBER: Unknown | REFERENCE NUMBER

AGENCY CUSTOMER ID:

INSURED

NAME AND ADDRESS: CoCa Mines Inc
6500 N. Mineral Dr Suite 200
Coeur D Alene ID 83815

SOC SEC # OR FEIN:

RESIDENCE PHONE (A/C, No) | BUSINESS PHONE (A/C, No, Ext)

CONTACT

[ ] CONTACT INSURED

NAME AND ADDRESS

RESIDENCE PHONE (A/C, No) | BUSINESS PHONE (A/C, No, Ext)

WHERE TO CONTACT

WHEN TO CONTACT

OCCURRENCE

LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE (Include city & state): Gilt Edge Mine Site Unknown SD

AUTHORITY CONTACTED

DESCRIPTION OF OCCURRENCE (Use separate sheet, if necessary): Release of hazardous substance.

POLICY INFORMATION

COVERAGE PART OR FORMS (Insert form #s and edition dates)

GENERAL AGGREGATE	PROD/COMP OPAGG	PERS & ADV INJ	EACH OCCURRENCE	FIRE DAMAGE	MEDICAL EXPENSE	DEDUCTIBLE	PD / BI

UMBRELLA/EXCESS [ ] UMBRELLA [ ] EXCESS | CARRIER: | LIMITS: AGGR | PER CLAIM/OCC | SIR/DED

TYPE OF LIABILITY

PREMISES: INSURED IS [ ] OWNER [ ] TENANT [ ] OTHER:

TYPE OF PREMISES

OWNER'S NAME & ADDRESS (If not insured)

OWNERS PHONE (A/C, No, Ext):

PRODUCTS: INSURED IS [ ] MANUFACTURER [ ] VENDOR [ ] OTHER:

TYPE OF PRODUCT

MANUFACTURER'S NAME & ADDRESS (If not insured)

MANUFACT PHONE (A/C, No, Ext):

WHERE CAN PRODUCT BE SEEN?

OTHER LIABILITY INCLUDING COMPLETED OPERATIONS (Explain)

INJURED/PROPERTY DAMAGED

NAME & ADDRESS (Injured/Owner): United States | PHONE (A/C, No, Ext)

AGE | SEX | OCCUPATION | EMPLOYER'S NAME & ADDRESS | PHONE (A/C, No, Ext)

DESCRIBE INJURY [ ] FATALITY | WHERE TAKEN | WHAT WAS INJURED DOING? Release of hazardous substance.

DESCRIBE PROPERTY (Type, model, etc) Unknown | ESTIMATE AMOUNT $0.00 | WHERE CAN PROPERTY BE SEEN? | WHEN CAN PROPERTY BE SEEN?

WITNESSES

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Applicable in Arizona

For your protection, Arizona law requires the following statement to appear on this form. Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

Applicable in Arkansas, District of Columbia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or another person, files a statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact, material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, subject to criminal prosecution and [NY: substantial] civil penalties. In D.C., ME, LA, and VA, insurance benefits may also be denied.

Applicable in California

Any person who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any false or misleading information is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

Applicable in Colorado

It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance, and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of an insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to a policy holder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policy holder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado Division of Insurance within the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

Applicable in Florida and Idaho

Any person who Knowingly and with the intent to injure, Defraud, or Deceive any Insurance Company Files a Statement of Claim Containing any False, Incomplete or Misleading Information is Guilty of a Felony.*

* In Florida - Third Degree Felony

Applicable in Hawaii

For your protection, Hawaii law requires you to be informed that presenting a fraudulanet claim for payment of a loss or benefit is a crime punishable by fines or imprisonment , or both.

Applicable in Indiana

A person who knowingly and with intent to defraud an insurer files a statement of claim containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information commits a felony.

Applicable in Minnesota

A person who files a claim with intent to defraud or helps commit a fraud against an insurer is guilty of a crime.

Applicable in Nevada

Pursuant to NRS 686A.291, any person who knowingly and willfully files a statement of claim that contains any false, incomplete or misleading information concerning a material fact is guilty of a felony.

Applicable in New Hampshire

Any person who, with purpose to injure, defraud or deceive any insurance company, files a statement of claim containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is subject to prosecution and punishment for insurance fraud, as provided in RSA 638:20.

Applicable in Ohio

Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowing that he/she is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement is guilty of insurance fraud.

Applicable in Oklahoma

WARNING: Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

January 21, 2011

RE: Care Center Claims Report/Confirmation

Claim #:	9120116587
Insured:	CoCa Mines Inc
Date of Loss:	12/24/1983
Claimant:	United States

Zurich Customer Care Center
Telephone (800) 987-3373
Fax number 877-962-2567
http://www.zurichna.com

Attention:

Thank you for using the Zurich Customer Care Center to report your claim.

Enclosed is a printed copy of your loss notice. It was immediately forwarded to the appropriate claim office for handling. Please include our claim number on any future correspondence regarding this claim.

This letter does not confirm coverage but merely acknowledges that we have received your report of the claim.

Sincerely,

Zurich American Insurance Co.

Report your claim online at www.zurichna.com

Customers can now access our internet-reporting system through www.zurichna.com and selecting the Claims hyperlink on the navigation bar. Claim Handler information is available at this web site.

CoCa Mines Inc.

6500 N. Mineral Dr., Suite 200
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815-9408

CERTIFIED/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

January 12, 2011

Northern Insurance Company of New York
1400 American Lane
Schaumburg, Illinois 60196-1056

Re: Northern Insurance Company Policy: SM31501167
Your Insured: CoCa Mines Inc.
Policy Period: December 24, 1980-December 24, 1983

To Whom It May Concern:

CoCa Mines Inc. ("CoCa") has received a demand from the United States Department of Justice asserting that CoCa is liable for activities at the Gilt Edge Mine Site in Lawrence County, South Dakota. United States has advised us that it is alleging that CoCa is jointly and severally liable to the United States for response costs incurred at the Gilt Edge Mine Site under CERCLA or Superfund, 42 USCA § 9607(a). United States asserts two theories of liability against CoCa. First they allege that CoCa is liable as the owner and operator of the Site beginning in 1982, which is during your policy period. United States also alleges that CoCa is responsible for a predecessor in interest, Congdon & Carey, which was an owner and operator of the Site from 1975 until 1982. A copy of the United States' letter is enclosed.

Policy number SM31501167 was issued to CoCa in Denver, CO, by the Northern Insurance Company of New York. A copy of this policy is attached. Northern Insurance Company of New York provided $1,000,000.00 per occurrence and $1,000,000.00 in the aggregate property damage comprehensive general liability coverage.

Based upon the demands of the United States Department of Justice, CoCa hereby tenders the defense of this action by the United States to Northern Insurance Company of New York and requests that Northern Insurance Company of New York defend and indemnify CoCa from any and all liabilities. CoCa has retained the firm of Temkin, Wielga & Hardt LLP to defend itself in this action. Temkin, Wielga & Hardt LLP are specialists in Superfund liability and have worked extensively with CoCa's claimed exposures at this Site. I will be providing you with the defense costs incurred to date in this action as soon as a contact person from your company is identified.

Finally, the United States has initiated settlement discussions concerning this Site. Therefore, it is essential that I hear immediately from someone on behalf of your company who has the authority to discuss resolution of the United States' claims.

Very truly yours,

Michael Clary

Michael Clary

U.S. Department of Justice

Environment and Natural Resources Division

HKH
DJ #90-11-3-08278

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Joseph Middleton, Esq.
TEMKIN WIELGA & HARDT, LLP
1900 Wazee Street, Suite 303
Denver, CO 80202

Re: *Gilt Edge Mine Superfund Site*

Dear Mr. Middleton:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the U.S. Department of Justice, at the request of the Environmental Protection Agency, is preparing to bring a federal court action against CoCa Mines, Inc. ("CoCa Mines"), and others, for recovery of costs incurred and to be incurred by the United States in responding to the release or threatened release of hazardous substances at the Gilt Edge Mine Site (the "Site") in Lawrence County, South Dakota. The United States' complaint will allege that CoCa Mines is jointly and severally liable to the United States for response costs incurred at the Site, pursuant to Section 107(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a).

Before filing the complaint, however, we are extending to CoCa Mines, as well as to Cyprus Mines Corporation, Cyprus Amax Minerals Company, Inc., Homestake Mining Company of California, and Blue Tee Corporation, the opportunity to discuss settlement of this case. As you know, the United States is seeking to recover response costs from the responsible parties. To date, the United States has incurred more than $91 million in past costs in connection with response actions at the Site. The United States will incur future costs in connection with response actions at the Site.

The United States is interested in settling this matter with all parties prior to the commencement of litigation. To that end, a joint settlement meeting has been scheduled for **Tuesday, July 27, 2010, at 1 PM** at the U.S. Department of Justice, Environmental Enforcement Section Denver Field Office (Byron Rogers Federal Building/1961 Stout Street – 8th Floor/Denver, CO 80294). While we have discussed your attendance at this meeting on behalf

of CoCa Mines, please respond formally in writing within two weeks of the date of this letter that you still plan to attend the settlement meeting. In addition, please sign and return to me the enclosed Confidentiality Agreement. Otherwise, I will assume that CoCa Mines is no longer interested in settlement of this case, and will proceed with the necessary actions to resolve this matter.

If you believe that there are financial factors which bear on CoCa Mines' ability to reimburse the United States, please provide this information to me at least one week prior to the July 27 meeting. This information should include, but is not limited to, copies of tax returns for the past five years, and/or any other supporting financial information that may be necessary to determine limited ability to pay. In addition, if you believe that there are other factors which may potentially impact the amount that the United States is seeking to recover from CoCa Mines, I request that you also provide any and all such information at least one week in advance of the meeting. The United States is willing to review all such information, but the burden is on you to provide it.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. I look forward to hearing from you in the near future, and seeing you on July 27.

Sincerely,

Heidi K. Hoffman

Heidi K. Hoffman

Enclosure

cc: Roxanne Giedd, State of South Dakota
Andrea Madigan, U.S. EPA

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January 18, 2000

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3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, MD 21211

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Policyholder: **CoCa Mines, Inc. ("CoCa Mines")**
Site: **Cactus Gold Mines Project Area ("Cactus Mines")**
Re: **George Creque, Jr. et al. v. Cactus Gold Mines Co., Inc. etl al. (including CoCa Mines, Inc.), Superior Court of the State of California, Case No. 23523 SPC, Second Amended Complaint**

Dear Mr. Edwards:

This follows my telephone conversation with you on January 17, 2000 regarding the captioned matter. Please note that I am a member of the Special Liability Coverage Unit ("SLCU") where my role is limited to determining the extent of Travelers insurance coverage obligations, if any, in this matter under policies issued by Travelers[1] to CoCa Mines, Inc. ("CoCa Mines").

On January 17th we discussed the possibility of a defense cost-sharing agreement in response to your letter dated January 6, 2000. During that conversation I advised you that Travelers had no obligation to defend or indemnify CoCa Mines with respect to three of our policies because, *inter alia*, one of the policies contained an absolute pollution exclusion and two of the policies were "claims made" policies.

As CoCa Mines and its attorney Mark Wiegla are aware, the information currently available to the SLCU indicates that there is no coverage available for this matter under the fourth policy, i.e., under Travelers 1984 to 1985 policy. We have invited CoCa Mines to provide us with information suggesting that coverage may be available under this policy, but to this date, we have not received any such information. As such, Travelers will not be participating in any defense cost-sharing arrangements unless and until information is received from CoCa Mines or its representatives which provides Travelers with a basis to grant defense coverage.

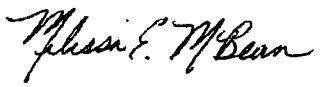
Travelers continues to fully reserve its rights in this matter. Neither this nor any subsequent communication or investigation should be deemed or construed as a waiver of any right or defense to

[1] "Travelers" includes The Travelers Indemnity Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates, one of which is Constitution State Insurance Company.

coverage available to Travelers (whether under its policies of insurance or at law or in equity), or as an expansion of any duties which may be owed by Travelers.

Should you have any questions, please call me at my direct dial number above. If it is more convenient, you may leave a message for me at our toll-free number (1-800-954-9633), and I will return your call as soon as possible. If you cannot reach me, you may also call Robert Harris at (860) 954-2959.

Sincerely,



Melissa E. McBean
Assistant Account Executive
SLCU

MMB076

cc: SLG (CSIC)

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January 6, 2000

Melissa E. McBean
Travelers Property Casualty-Specialty Liability Coverage Unit
One Tower Square
Hartford CT

RE: Your Insured: CoCa Mines
Constitution State Policies: CF257G347-8 and CF528G000-0
Matter: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company Inc., et al.

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3910 Keswick Road
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www.zurichus.com

Dear Ms. McBean:

Your name was provided by Attorney Mark Wielga in connection with policies issued by Constitution State to either CoCa Mines and/or Cactus Gold Mines Company. We understand that the Constitution State policies may have been effective from approximately July 3, 1984 through July 3, 1986. I would appreciate having the opportunity to discuss whether or not Constitution State (Travelers) will participate in the defense of this matter. I would appreciate having the opportunity to discuss a possible defense sharing arrangement at your convenience. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Robert Edwards
(410) 338-1573

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January 6, 2000

Lynette Klawon, Esq.
Selman Brightman
11766 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles CA 90025-6538

RE: Your Client: Commercial Union
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Matter: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company Inc.

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Dear Ms. Klawon:

Your name was provided by Attorney Mark Wielga regarding your representation of Commercial Union issued to CoCa Mines and/or Cactus Gold Mines. At your convenience, I would like to discuss this matter with you further. I look forward to hearing from you at your convenience. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Robert Edwards
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MARK WIELGA
(303) 382-2919
wielga@twhlaw.com

November 16, 1999

Mr. Robert Edwards
Zurich U.S.
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Baltimore, Maryland 21211

RE: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy No.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In response to your request, attached is a coverage chart for CoCa Mines covering the 1983-1986 time period. Also enclosed is a list of the relevant policies reflected on the chart. Policies number 4-7 are being handled by Lynette Klawon, Esq. of Selman Breitman, her telephone number is (310) 445-0800. Policies number 8 and 9 are being handled by Melissa E. McBean at Travelers Property Casualty, her telephone number is (860) 954-4860.

Please call me if you need any further information.

Sincerely,

Mark Wielga

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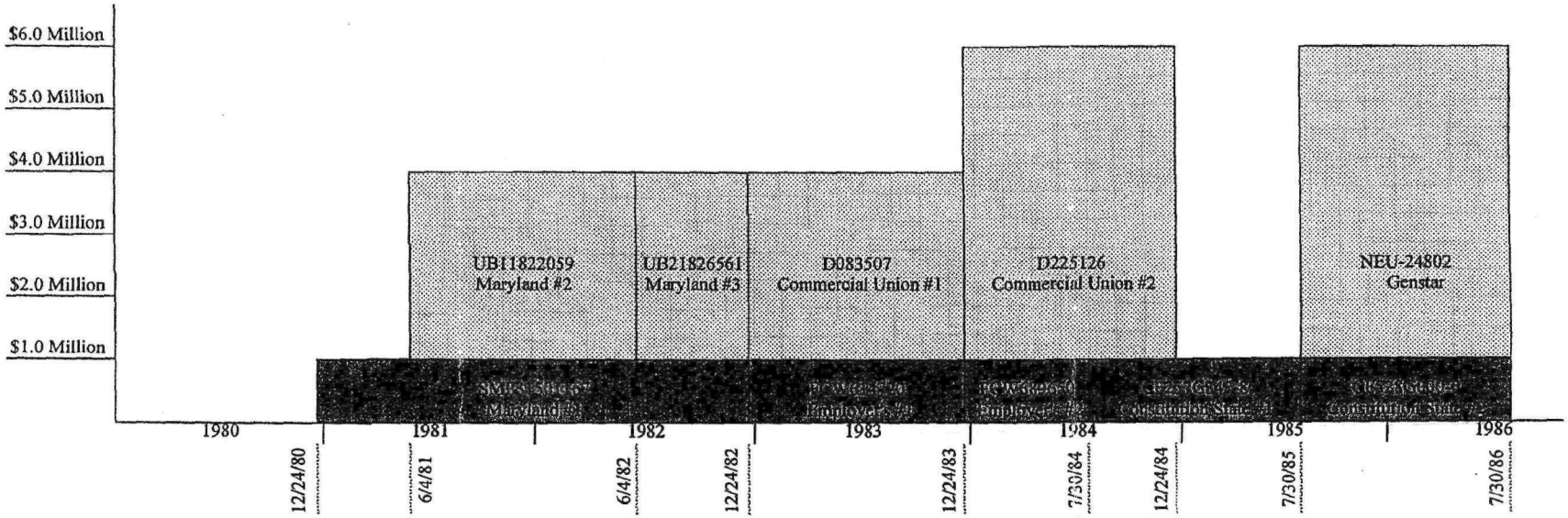
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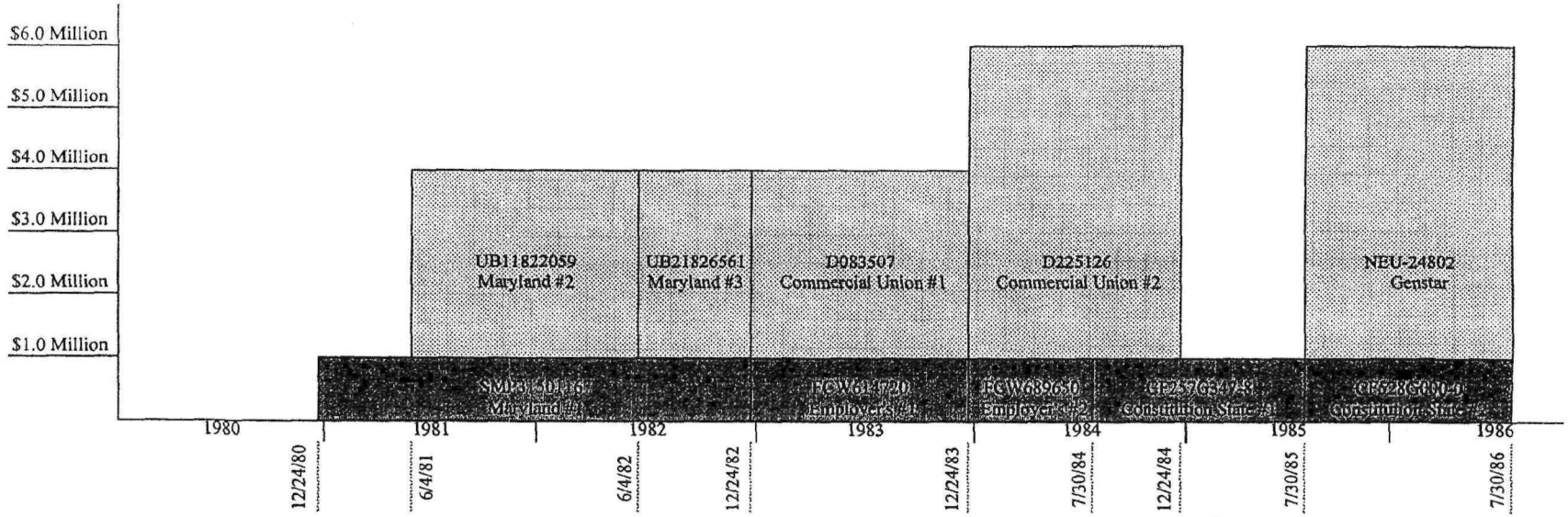
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EXHIBIT A

1. Policy: Maryland Casualty Company, No. SMP 31501167 —
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   Amount: $1,000,000

2. Policy: Maryland Casualty Company, No. UB 11822059
   Date - Date: 6/4/81 - 6/4/82
   Amount: $3,000,000 rdb ?

3. Policy: Maryland Casualty Company, No. UB 21826561
   Date - Date: 6/4/82 - 12/24/82
   Amount: $3,000,000

4. Policy: The Employers' Fire Insurance Company, No. FCW61 47 20
   Date - Date: 12/24/82 - 12/24/83
   Amount: $1,000,000

5. Policy: Commercial Union Insurance Companies, No. DO8 35 07
   Date - Date: 12/24/82 - 12/24/83
   Amount: $3,000,000

6. Policy: The Employers' Fire Insurance Company, No. FCW68 96 50
   Date - Date: 12/24/83 - 7/30/84
   Amount: $1,000,000

7. Policy: Commercial Union Insurance Companies, No. D225126
   Date - Date: 12/24/83 - 12/24/84
   Amount: $5,000,000

8. Policy: Constitution State Insurance Company, No. CF257G347-8
   Date - Date: 7/30/84 - 7/30/85
   Amount: $1,000,000

9. Policy: Constitution State Insurance Company, No. CF528G000-0
   Date - Date: 7/30/85 - 7/30/86
   Amount: $1,000,000

10. Policy: GENSTAR Indemnity Company, No. NEU-24802
    Date - Date: 7/30/85 - 7/30/86
    Amount: $5,000,000

Zurich Insurance Response to EPA Request for Information
Pursuant to Section 104(e) of CERCLA

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Re:	Insured	:	CoCa Mines, Inc.
	Tendering Party	:	Hecla Mining Company
	Policies	:	FCW61 47 20 (12/24/82-83) CCD08 35 07 (12/24/82-83) FCW68 96 50 (12/24/83-07/30/84) CCD 225126 (12/24/83-84)
	Complaint	:	Creque, et al. v. Cactus Gold Mines Co., Inc. et al., Kern County Superior Court Case No. 235323 SPC
	Site	:	Cactus Gold Mines Project Area, Mojave, California

Dear Mr. Edwards:

As you know, OneBeacon Insurance Group (formerly CGU Insurance) has been reviewing the request from Zurich U.S. for contribution to its settlement of the above-captioned matter. Please accept this letter as OneBeacon's response to that request.

Preliminarily, we hope to show in this letter why Zurich should not proceed with a contribution claim against OneBeacon. We are mindful of our new relationship with Zurich, so we intend to do no more than assert why, prior to the development of that relationship, we had counseled OneBeacon to take the position it did and why this position is proper as the company is not required to pay this type of claim. Should Zurich decide that it wishes to pursue litigation against OneBeacon on this matter, rest assured that we will not represent OneBeacon's interests against Zurich.

That said, we must advise you that it is OneBeacon's position that the policies issued to CoCa Mines, Inc., by The Employers' Fire Insurance Company and Commercial Union Insurance Company do not apply to this claim and that, therefore, OneBeacon has no duty to defend or indemnify the tendering party. As such, OneBeacon must decline Zurich's request that the company contribute to the defense and settlement of this claim. The reasons for this position are discussed herein.

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1. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

a. Complaint

The lawsuit which is the subject of this claim was entitled *George Creque, Jr., et al. v. Cactus Gold Mines Co., Inc., et al.*, case number 235323 SPC in the Kern County Superior Court. This lawsuit was originally served upon the tendering party, Hecla Mining Co., in October 1998. The second amended complaint alleged personal injuries and injury to parcels of property in the vicinity of the Cactus Gold Mines Project Area (a name devised by plaintiffs, according to Hecla's counsel) located in Mojave, California. CoCa Mines was alleged to have, in some manner, controlled real property known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," and/or "Cactus-Shumake Mines" in the Cactus Gold Mines Project Area, "at any and all relevant times between 1960 through the present." Defendants allegedly engaged in various mining and mineral processing activities which released mercury, cyanide and other chemicals. There were also allegations that defendants were aware of the risks of their operations and concealed that information from plaintiffs.

The mining activities identified in the complaint "include goldmining, refining, smelting, and other related activities according to proof.... Plaintiffs are informed and believe that the introduction into the environment of the harmful chemicals occurred in several different ways, including, but not limited to the allowance of the introduction of contaminants into the generalized environment by specific miners operators and managers themselves; and by the improper management and/or improper disposal of byproducts, including mercury cyanide into the environment."

The complaint specifically referred (without limitation) to operations "beginning in the late 1980s. ... These operations included 'blasting' and 'overblasting' of ore within a quarry, crushing of the ore to a specific size, placement of the crushed ore in extremely lengthy and high leach piles," and further detailed descriptions of the process of recovering gold. Elsewhere the complaint referred to contamination beginning in late 1989. The specific causes of action pled were negligence, trespass, nuisance, and ultrahazardous activity.

The complaint alleged that the properties were damaged in the collective amount of $100 million and also sought punitive damages. According to the tender letter from Hecla, plaintiffs filed a damage statement of $100 million in general damages, $100 million in special damages, and $200 million in punitive damages.

b. Initial Tender, Response, and Investigation

In a letter dated June 11, 1999, Hecla Mining Company tendered a claim under the four policies referenced above. Hecla asserted that CoCa Mines, Inc., is its wholly owned subsidiary and that several of the companies named as defendants in the litigation are named or additional insureds under the policies. Hecla provided copies of the insurance policies, all four of which contain a manuscript exclusion for mining operations. Accordingly, OneBeacon sent a letter to counsel for Hecla on August 31, 1999, referring to those exclusions and stating that, unless Hecla had information taking the claim out of the mining exclusions, it would appear there would be no coverage.

Counsel for Hecla responded in a letter dated October 11, 1999, arguing that the mining exclusion did not apply. The essence of his argument was that the exclusion was confined to the narrow activity of extracting ore from the earth, while CoCa performed an array of other activities at the site, such as exploration, milling, refining, smelting, disposal, and reclamation. OneBeacon responded to counsel with a request for further information. OneBeacon also began an investigation into the underwriting of the policies to try to elucidate the intention of the exclusionary language.

In response to OneBeacon's information requests to defense counsel, he provided a rough organizational chart which indicated that the operating entity for which CoCa Mines was facing liability was Cactus Gold Mines Company. CoCa Mines Inc. had a 77.5% interest in Middle Buttes Partners Ltd., which had a 75% interest in Cactus Gold Mines Company. (As discussed below, the primary policies issued by Employers' Fire added Middle Buttes Partners, Ltd. as an additional insured as of 6/1/84; Cactus Gold Mines Company was not an insured.) According to counsel's letter, CoCa had involvement in the subject property since 1979, and "the CoCa Mines, Inc. entity took over day to day management of the project in 1983." Finally, counsel also advised that Zurich U.S. had accepted defense of the underlying suit under Maryland Casualty policies.

Prior to a settlement conference in August 2000, Zurich reported to us that Hecla had incurred approximately $200,000 in defense costs. The plaintiffs' demand before the settlement conference was $495,000, while defense counsel estimated that it could settle for $275,000 to $325,000. The matter did in fact settle for an undisclosed amount, with Hecla contributing "significantly" to the settlement along with Zurich. Zurich approached OneBeacon to contribute $50,000 to the settlement and approximately $121,000 to defense costs (a pro rata share of 44% based on time on the risk), in exchange for a release from Zurich only. OneBeacon advised Zurich that it wanted to complete its investigation of the underwriting of the policies and their mining exclusions before responding to the demand. As that investigation became rather protracted, OneBeacon entered a tolling agreement extending the statute of limitations on any claim involving this matter to April 1, 2005.

2. INSURANCE POLICIES

a. Primary Policies Issued By The Employers' Fire Insurance Company

The Employers' Fire Insurance Company issued two primary policies to "Coca Mines, Inc." in Denver, Colorado–number FCW614720, effective 12/24/82 to12/24/83, and number FCW689650, originally effective 12/24/83 to 12/24/84. The final policy period was extended to 2/21/85, although liability coverage had been deleted earlier, as of 7/30/84. The primary policies each provided a combined single limit of $1 million per occurrence and in the aggregate and broad form liability coverage. Both policies were subject to a manuscript endorsement providing as follows: "It is hereby understood and agreed that no liability coverages are provided under Section II of the policy for any mining operations or any gas or oil well drilling operations." Middle Butte Mine, Inc., was an additional insured as of 11/30/82, and Middle Buttes Partners, Ltd. was an additional insured as of 6/1/84, but Cactus Gold Mines Company was not mentioned in either policy. Pertinent policy language is listed in Appendix A.

b. Umbrella Policies Issued By Commercial Union Insurance Company

Commercial Union Insurance Company issued the umbrella coverage over these primaries. Policy number CCD083507 was originally issued from 12/24/82 to 10/24/83 but amended to extend to 12/24/83. Policy number CCD225126 was in effect 12/24/83 through 12/24/84. While the primary policies do not provide for a designation of the insured's business, these umbrella policies specifically identify the business of the insured as "Geologists." An insurance binder further specified that the business was "Geological Exploration." The ultimate net loss covered under the umbrellas was $3 million per occurrence and in the aggregate. As of 3/7/84, the limits were increased to $5 million. These policies again contained a manuscript endorsement providing that the policies "shall not apply to any mining operations, or any gas or oil well drilling." These policies do not list any additional insureds, but the definition of "insured" includes any additional insured included in the underlying insurance (although prompt notice is required if additional insureds are added to the underlying policy). Also, the named insured is defined to include any subsidiary company and "any other company under the Named Insured's control and over which it assumes active management," again with a notification requirement for newly acquired organizations. The second umbrella policy also includes an endorsement effective 6/1/84 which clarifies the partnership structure of "Middle Buttes Partners." Policy language from the umbrellas is listed in Appendix B.

c. **Policies Issued By Other Carriers**

In December 1999, counsel for Hecla sent a coverage chart and policy list, advising that a claim had been tendered to all carriers represented on those documents. The information indicates the following primary and excess coverage in addition to the Employers/Commercial Union policies:

12/24/80-82	Primary	Maryland Casualty Co.
6/4/81-12/24/82	Umbrella	Maryland Casualty Co.
7/30/84-86	Primary	Constitution State Insurance Co.
7/30/85-86	Umbrella	GENSTAR Indemnity Co.

Counsel advised that "coverage had been accepted under a reservation of rights" with respect to the Maryland Casualty policies. GENSTAR had denied coverage "based on an 'absolute' pollution exclusion." No response from Constitution was reported at that time. Zurich later advised that, for some of the period of the Maryland policies, they contained a mining exclusion like that in OneBeacon's policies. For some of that coverage, however, no such exclusion was attached. Zurich has never clarified to OneBeacon what position it took on the interpretation of the mining exclusion.

In addition to these policies, OneBeacon's investigation revealed that there was a separate line of coverage for CoCa Mines' mining operations. The application for umbrella coverage with Commercial Union indicates that the mining coverage in the underlying layer was, at that time, placed with "Illinois Union" through "Adco." OneBeacon's records also indicate that the primary coverage following its coverage was provided by "Adco."

3. **COVERAGE ANALYSIS**

a. **Mining Exclusion**

As discussed above, all four of the OneBeacon policies contain an exclusion for "any mining operations." Based on its investigation, OneBeacon has determined that this exclusion was meant to encompass all mining-related activities, not just the isolated activity of extracting ore from the earth. The basis for that conclusion is discussed below.

The policies indicate that the business of the insured and the insured activity under the policies was geological exploration as opposed to mining. First, the umbrella policies specifically name the business of the insured as "Geologists," with a binder listing "Geological Exploration." In addition, the primary policies also include a Contractor's Equipment floater, with a schedule of covered property. If the insurance was to cover mining operations, one would expect an extensive schedule

of covered equipment listing items reflecting mining activities. Rather, the schedule of equipment lists only three items–a ULF Receiver, a magnetometer (used for oil exploration), and a generator (identified in the first policy as located at the "Middle Buttes Project in California")–all equipment used by geologists. In addition, the premises listed in the policies' schedule of hazards for the premises-operations coverage are all, except for an office building, identified as "Geophysical Exploration."

The policies, thus, plainly indicate that the company was insuring geologists. In that context, a separate exclusion for mining activities sensibly excludes *all* mining activities, as distinct from geological exploration. There was a separate line of coverage for mining activities; the application for the new Commercial Union coverage (dated 10/29/82) included the following notation: "Underlying excludes mining operations–these covered under separate policy w/Illinois Union thru Adco." Thus, the mining operations were covered by another carrier, supporting OneBeacon's understanding that all such operations were excluded from its policies.

Other documents in the underwriting file also support this conclusion. A handwritten document in the first policy's underwriting file states as follows: "Silver mine–not in operation–B[??] Colorado. OCP is for geologists and scouts–No const operations. X [any] mining. They own mine and only other exposure is office–[final] OK to X prods & FE Cont." Furthermore, a speed memo dated 10/11/83 states: "Peter–Agent has ordered inspection for the above subject but I really don't know what we are going to inspect. All of the mining and drilling operations are excluded per attached. The only exposure we have is a building and guys running around in the field." A follow-up memo, dated 11/1/83, states: "Peter–Risk Control has brought the inspection request for the above subject back to me saying there is nothing to inspect because all mining operations are excluded and there is nothing to inspect but an office."

In contrast, there is nothing in the files to suggest that there is any limitation on the mining exclusion as asserted by counsel for the tendering party. Therefore, it is OneBeacon's position that there is no coverage for this matter on the basis that the mining exclusions apply to the tendered claim in its entirety. As a result, OneBeacon must decline Zurich's invitation to contribute to the settlement and defense of this claim.

b. Other Issues

It is not clear that the tendering party is entitled to benefits for the presented claim. The policies were issued to CoCa Mines, Inc., not Hecla Mining Company. Moreover, there is an indication that the operating entity whose activities led to the tendered suit was Cactus Gold Mines Company, which is not listed as an additional insured in the policies. The policies' provisions defining an

"insured" (such as the provision precluding coverage for the activities of a partnership or joint venture which is not a named insured in the policy) and those limiting assignment of the policies, as well as case law on coverage for successor corporations would govern whether coverage would be available for this claim.

All four policies include a pollution exclusion with an exception for sudden and accidental releases of pollutants. To the extent the alleged injury-causing contamination was caused by anything other than a sudden and accidental event, the exclusion applies to preclude coverage.

The umbrella policies would not respond to the claim in any event unless and until all underlying coverage was exhausted.

The policies define bodily injury as injury "which occurs during the policy period" and defines property damage as damage "caused by an occurrence during the policy period." As mentioned above, the second amended complaint indicates that damage-causing activities may not even have commenced until after the expiration of OneBeacon's policies. To the extent no injury or occurrence took place during the policy periods, the policies would not provide coverage for the claim. Furthermore, the statute of limitations applicable to the subject complaint would limit the plaintiff's recovery to claims arising within a few years of the filing of the complaint, which would be several years after the expiration of the policies.

As a part of its burden to establish that a claim falls within the basic scope of the insuring agreement, the insured has the burden of establishing an "occurrence" or "accident." This includes proof that the damage was neither expected nor intended by the insured. To the extent the insured cannot prove that there has been such an "occurrence" or "accident," the policies would not provide coverage on this additional basis.

Similarly, no coverage would be afforded for any willful or intentional acts. Nor would coverage be provided for any known loss or loss in progress. Correspondingly, no coverage is available for the punitive or exemplary damages sought in the complaint.

There would be no coverage for any diminution in value claimed in the complaint to the extent it would not constitute damages because of property damage.

No coverage is available for this claim under the coverage for personal injury liability.

To the extent any of the plaintiffs had an employment relationship with the insured, additional exclusions concerning bodily injury in that context may also apply.

To the extent the claim involves any damage to property owned or occupied by or rented to the insured, the policies would also exclude coverage therefor.

Finally, to the extent Hecla failed to comply with notice and cooperation conditions, including the provisions regarding voluntary payments, no coverage would be available on these additional grounds.

4. CONCLUSION

For all of the reasons addressed above, OneBeacon must inform you that it is not interested in contributing to Zurich's settlement and defense of this matter, given its conclusion that it has no defense or indemnity obligations under its policies.

This letter describes certain issues and policy provisions which may preclude, limit or exclude coverage. However, the listing of these issues and policy provisions is not to be construed as limiting any additional grounds for denial of coverage or defense if the facts or law warrant it. OneBeacon reserves the right to rely on such additional facts or other information as may be discovered and which may affect coverage.

This letter and OneBeacon's investigation and handling of this matter (including any person's actions on its behalf) are not to be construed as a waiver of any rights or defenses now or hereafter available to OneBeacon nor as a waiver of any of the insured's obligations under any policy of insurance purportedly afforded by OneBeacon.

If you believe that this claim has been wrongfully denied or rejected, you may have the matter reviewed by the California Department of Insurance. The address and telephone number of the appropriate unit is: California Department of Insurance, Claims Services Bureau, 11th Floor, 300 South Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90013. Telephone: 1-800-927-4357 or 213-897-8921.

Of course, if you have any knowledge of any additional or different facts which you believe would alter any of the statements made in this letter, please advise the undersigned of the same at your earliest convenience so that OneBeacon may consider them. If you have any questions or comments regarding any portion of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

SELMAN • BREITMAN LLP

JEFFREY C. SEGAL

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Enclosures (Appendices A and B)
cc: Randall America

APPENDIX A

PRIMARY POLICIES

COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE CHART
(Special Multi-Peril Policy)

BODILY INJURY LIABILITY
PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY

The company will pay on behalf of the **insured** all sums which the **insured** shall become legally obligated to pay as damages because of

bodily injury or
property damage

to which this insurance applies, caused by an **occurrence** . . .

I. EXCLUSIONS

This insurance does not apply:

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(f) to **bodily injury** or **property damage** arising out of the discharge, dispersal, release or escape of smoke, vapors, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, toxic chemicals, liquids or gases, waste materials or other irritants, contaminants or pollutants into or upon land, the atmosphere or any water course or body of water; but this exclusion does not apply if such discharge, dispersal, release or escape is sudden and accidental;

. . .

(i) to any obligation for which the **insured** or any carrier as his insurer may be held liable under any workmen's compensation, unemployment compensation or disability benefits law, or under any similar law;

(j) to **bodily injury** to any employee of the **insured** arising out of and in the course of his employment by the **insured** or to any obligation of the **insured** to indemnify another because of damages arising out of such injury;

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II. PERSONS INSURED

Each of the following is an **insured** under this insurance to the extent set forth below:

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(c) if the **named insured** is designated in the declarations as other than an individual, partnership or joint venture, the organization so designated and any executive officer, director or stockholder thereof while acting within the scope of his duties as such;

(d) any person (other than an employee of the **named insured**) or organization while acting as real estate manager for the **named insured;**

. . .

This insurance does not apply to **bodily injury** or **property damage** arising out of the conduct of any partnership or joint venture of which the **insured** is a partner or member and which is not designated in this policy as a **named insured.**

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LIMITS OF LIABILITY

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(c) For the purpose of determining the limit of the company's liability, all **bodily injury** and **property damage** arising out of continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general conditions shall be considered as arising out of one **occurrence.**

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Endorsement #2

It is hereby understood and agreed that no liability coverages are provided under Section II of the policy for any mining operations or any gas or oil well drilling operations.

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BROAD FORM ENDORSEMENT

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VI. BROAD FORM PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY COVERAGE (Including Completed Operations)

The insurance for **property damage** liability applies, subject to the following additional provisions:

(A.) Exclusions (k) and (o) are replaced by the following:

(1) to property owned or occupied by or rented to the **insured**, or, except with respect to the use of **elevators**, to property held by the **insured** for sale or entrusted to the **insured** for storage or safekeeping;

. . .

XII. AUTOMATIC COVERAGE - NEWLY ACQUIRED ORGANIZATIONS (90 DAYS)

The word **insured** shall include as **named insured** any organization which is acquired or formed by the **named insured** and over which the **named insured** maintains ownership or majority interest, other than a joint venture, provided this insurance does not apply to **bodily injury, property damage, personal injury** or **advertising injury** with respect to which such new organization under this policy is also an **insured** under any other similar liability or indemnity policy or would be an **insured** under any such policy but for exhaustion of its limits of liability. The insurance afforded hereby shall terminate 90 days from the date any such organization is acquired or formed by the **named insured.**

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GENERAL CONDITIONS

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5. **Assignment.** Assignment of interest under this policy shall not bind the Company until its consent is endorsed hereon. However, if the **named insured** shall die, this insurance shall apply:

(a) to the **named insured's** legal representative, as the **named insured,** but only while acting within the scope of his duties as such; or

(b) to the person having temporary custody of the property of the **named insured** but only until the appointment and qualification of the legal representative.

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CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO SECTION II

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4. Insured's Duties in the Event of Occurrence, Claim or Suit.

(a) In the event of an **occurrence**, written notice containing particulars sufficient to identify the **insured** and also reasonably obtainable information with respect to the time, place and circumstances thereof and the names and addresses of the injured and of available witnesses shall be given by or for the **insured** to the Company or any of its authorized agents as soon as practicable.

(b) If claim is made or suit is brought against the **insured**, the **insured** shall immediately forward to the Company every demand, notice, summons or other process received by him or his representative.

(c) The **insured** shall cooperate with the Company and, upon the Company's request, assist in making settlements, in the conduct of suits and in enforcing any right of contribution or indemnity against any person or organization who may be liable to the **insured** because of injury or damage with respect to which insurance is afforded under this policy; and the **insured** shall attend hearings and trials and assist in securing and giving evidence and obtaining the attendance of witnesses. The **insured** shall not, except at his own cost, voluntarily make any payment, assume any obligation or incur any expense other than for first aid to others at the time of accident.

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DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO SECTION II

"**bodily injury**" means bodily injury, sickness or disease sustained by any person which occurs during the policy period, including death at any time resulting therefrom;

. . .

"**insured**" means any person or organization qualifying as an insured in the "Persons Insured" provision of the applicable insurance coverage. The insurance afforded applies separately to each **insured** against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the company's liability;

. . .

"**occurrence**" means an accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to conditions, which results in **bodily injury** or **property damage** neither expected nor intended from the standpoint of the **insured**;

. . .

"**property damage**" means (1) physical injury to or destruction of tangible property which occurs during the policy period, including the loss of use thereof at any time resulting therefrom, or (2) loss of use of tangible property which has not been physically injured or destroyed provided such loss of use is caused by an **occurrence** during the policy period;

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APPENDIX B

UMBRELLA POLICIES

INSURING AGREEMENTS

I. COVERAGE

The Company hereby agrees to indemnify the Insured for all sums which the Insured shall be obligated to pay by reason of the liability

(a) imposed upon the Insured by law; or

(b) assumed under contract or agreement by the Named Insured or any officer, director, stockholder, partner or employee of the Named Insured, while acting in his capacity as such,

for ultimate net loss because of

(1) personal injury,

(2) property damage,

(3) advertising liability,

caused by an occurrence happening anywhere in the world.

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DEFINITIONS

1. Named Insured

The term "Named Insured", wherever used herein, means:

(a) the Insured stated in Item 1 of the Declarations forming a part hereof; and

(b) any subsidiary company (including subsidiaries thereof) and any other company under the Named Insured's control and over which it assumes active management. Such organizations, newly acquired or formed during the policy period, shall be included as Named Insureds, but only if prompt notice has been given to the Company.

2. Insured

The unqualified word "Insured", wherever used herein, means not only the Named Insured but also means the following:

. . .

(b) any officer, director, stockholder, partner or employee of the Named Insured, while acting in his capacity as such, and any organization or proprietor with respect to real estate management for the Named Insured;

(c) any person, organization, trustee or estate to whom the Named Insured is obligated by virtue of a written contract or agreement to provide insurance such as is afforded by this policy, but only in respect of operations by or on behalf of the Named Insured or of facilities of the Named Insured or used by them;

(d) any additional Insured (not being the Named Insured under this policy) included in the underlying insurance, subject to the provisions in Condition B, but not for broader coverage than is available to such additional Insured under a policy of underlying insurance set forth in Item 3 of the Declarations;

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3. Personal Injury

The term "personal injury", wherever used herein, shall mean:

(a) bodily injury, sickness, disability or disease; or

. . .

which occurs during the policy period.

Personal injury shall also include mental injury, mental anguish, humiliation, shock or death as a direct result of any injury listed under subdivisions (a) through (d) above which occurred during the policy period.

4. Property Damage

The term "property damage", wherever used herein, shall mean:

(a) physical injury to or destruction of tangible property, which occurs during the policy period, including the loss of use thereof at any time resulting therefrom; or

(b) loss of use of tangible property which has not been physically injured or destroyed provided such loss of use is caused by an occurrence during the policy period.

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6. Occurrence

The term "occurrence", wherever used herein, shall mean an accident or a happening or event, including continuous or repeated exposure to conditions, which results in personal injury, property damage or advertising liability neither expected nor intended from the standpoint of the Insured.

All continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same general conditions existing at or emanating from one location or source shall be deemed one occurrence. . .

7. Ultimate Net Loss

The term "ultimate net loss", wherever used herein, shall mean the total of the following amounts:

(a) all sums which the Insured shall become legally obligated to pay as damages (including interest thereon) whether by reason of adjudication or settlement because of personal injury, property damage or advertising liability; and

(b) all expenses incurred by the Insured or the Company in the investigation, negotiation, settlement or defense of any claim or suit seeking such damages, excluding only the salaries and expenses of the Insured's or the Company's employees.

The Company shall not be liable for any item of ultimate net loss included in any policy of underlying insurance set forth in Item 3 of the Declarations or in other valid and collectible insurance.

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EXCLUSIONS

This Policy Shall Not Apply:

(a) to any obligation for which the Insured or any company as its insurer may be held liable under any workers' compensation, unemployment compensation or disability benefits law, or under any similar law; provided, however, that this exclusion does not apply to liability of others assumed by the Named Insured under contract or agreement:

. . .

(f) to personal injury or property damage arising out of the discharge, dispersal, release or escape of smoke, vapors, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, toxic chemicals, liquids or gases, waste materials or other irritants, contaminants or pollutants into or upon land, the atmosphere or any watercourse or body of water; but this exclusion does not apply if such discharge, dispersal, release or escape is sudden and accidental in which event coverage shall not be broader than is available to the Insured in a policy of underlying insurance set forth in Item 3 of the Declarations;

(g) to property damage to (1) property owned by any Insured or (2) property rented to, occupied or used by or in the care, custody or control of the Insured to the extent that any Insured is under contract to provide insurance therefor;

. . .

Except insofar as coverage is available to the Insured for the full limits of liability as set forth for policies of underlying insurance in Item 3 of the Declarations, *This Policy Shall Not Apply*:

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(p) to any employee with respect to personal injury to another employee of the same employer injured in the course of their employment.

CONDITIONS

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B. Additional Insureds

In the event of additional Insureds being added to the coverage under the underlying insurance during the policy period, prompt notice shall be given to the Company and the Company shall be entitled to charge an appropriate additional premium hereon.

C. Prior Insurance and Non-Cumulation of Liability

It is agreed that if any loss covered hereunder is also covered in whole or in part under any other excess policy issued by the Company to the Insured prior to the inception date hereof, the limit of liability, as stated in Item 5 of the Declarations, shall be reduced by any amounts due to the Insured on account of such loss under such prior insurance.

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F. Notice of Occurrence

Whenever the Insured has information from which the Insured may reasonably conclude that an occurrence covered hereunder involves injury or damage which, without regard to liability, is likely to involve this policy, notice shall be sent to the Company as soon as possible.

G. Assistance and Cooperation

Except as specifically provided in this policy, the Company shall not be called upon to assume charge of the settlement or defense of any claim made, suit brought or proceeding instituted against the Insured, but the Company shall have the right and shall be given the opportunity to associate with the Insured or the Insured's underlying insurers (whether or not the policies of said underlying insurers are set forth in Item 3 of the Declarations), or both, in the defense and control of any claim, suit or proceeding relative to an occurrence where, in the judgment of the Company, the claim, suit or proceeding involves or appears reasonably likely to result in liability for indemnity by the Company under this policy, in which event the Insured, any underlying insurers involved, and the Company shall cooperate in all things in the defense of such claim, suit or proceeding.

In the case of any claim or suit as to which the Company has the right or the duty to defend the Insured, the Insured shall cooperate with the Company and, upon the Company's request, shall attend hearings and trials and assist in making settlements, securing and giving evidence, obtaining the attendance of witnesses and in the conduct of

any legal proceedings (including, but not limited to, the enforcement of any rights of salvage, contribution or indemnity) in connection with the subject matter of this insurance. The Insured shall not, except at his own cost, voluntarily make any payment, assume any obligation or incur any expense other than for first aid to others at the time of accident.

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N. Assignment

Assignment of interest under this policy shall not bind the Company unless and until its consent is endorsed hereon.

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P. Maintenance of Underlying Insurance

It is a condition of this policy that the policies set forth in Item 3 of the Declarations shall be maintained in full effect during the period of this policy without reduction of coverage or limits except for any reduction of the aggregate limit or limits contained therein solely by payment of damages for personal injury, property damage and advertising liability which occur during the same annual period of this policy. Failure of the Insured to comply with the foregoing shall not invalidate this policy, but in the event of such failure the Company shall only be liable to the same extent as it would have been had the Insured complied with the said condition.

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ENDORSEMENT #3

It is agreed that this policy shall not apply to any mining operations, or any gas or oil well drilling.

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RE:	Your Client:	Commercial Union
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Dear Ms. Klawon:

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This letter will serve as a follow-up to previous correspondences directed to you in connection with the above referenced matter. As you know from my prior letter of January 8, 2002, I requested a time table as to when CGU would be in a position further discuss this matter. As of this date, we have not received a response. As you know, we have been patient while your client further evaluates their position in this matter. I appreciate the fact that CGU has undergone some restructuring and changes, and therefore, this matter may not be a priority for them. I would appreciate your help and cooperation by contacting your client and explain that our company would like to move forward towards the resolution to this matter.

As you know from our previous conversations, our company incurred significant legal fees and contributed towards a settlement in connection with this matter. Our company incurred $291,518.99 in legal fees and made a significant contribution towards the settlement. We are reiterating our demand that the defense costs be allocated on a pro rata basis (CGU share 44% and MCC share 56%) whereby Commercial Union would reimburse our company $128,268.35. We also believe that CGU should consider reimbursing our company for a portion of our settlement contribution. I would be more than happy to discuss these details with you at your convenience.

I appreciate the facts and circumstances of this particular claim are rather unusual, however, some consideration should be given to information obtained during the course of the litigation with respect to the historic role of fugitive dust allegedly emanating from the property. I look forward to discussing these issues with you and your client at a time of mutual convenience.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Robert Edwards
(410) 338-1573

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January 8, 2002

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RE:	Your Client:	Commercial Union
	Policyholder:	CoCa Mines
	Matter:	George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company Inc.

Dear Ms. Klawon:

This letter will serve as a follow-up previous correspondences regarding the above referenced matter. I would appreciate a time table as to when CGU will be in a position to further discuss this matter. I would like to discuss a final resolution of this matter at the earliest convenience of your client.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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November 14, 2001

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RE: Your Client: Commercial Union
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Matter: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company Inc.

Dear Ms. Klawon:

This letter will serve as a follow-up to my previous letter directed to your attention dated September 27, 2001 which has been enclosed for your convenience. We request that you provide a time table as to when CGU will be in a position to further discuss this matter. I look forward to receiving a response at your earliest convenience. In addition, please advise if CGU is in need of any further information from our company. I believe that I have already provided copies of all of the legal bills and other information outlining payments that have been made Maryland. I look forward to hearing from you at the earliest convenience of your client.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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September 27, 2001

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RE: Your Client: Commercial Union
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Matter: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company Inc.

Dear Ms. Klawon:

Thank you for providing an executed Tolling Agreement on behalf of your client in connection with the above referenced matter. We request that you provide a time table as to when CGU will be in a position to further discuss this matter. I look forward to receiving a response at your earliest convenience.

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March 30, 2001

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Re:	Insured	:	CoCa Mines, Inc.
	Tendering Party	:	Hecla Mining Company
	Policies	:	FCW61 47 20 (12/24/82-83) CCD08 35 07 (12/24/82-83) FCW68 96 50 (12/24/83-07/30/84) CCD 225126 (12/24/83-84)
	Complaint	:	Creque, et al. v. Cactus Gold Mines Co., Inc. et al., Kern County Superior Court Case No. 235323 SPC
	Site	:	Cactus Gold Mines Project Area, Mojave, California

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Enclosed please find an executed tolling agreement. We are continuing our efforts to investigate and to finalize CGU's position in this matter, and we will be in touch with you when we are ready to discuss this matter with you fully. Thank you for your continued patience in this matter.

Sincerely,

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WITNESSETH:

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8. NOTICES. Notices shall be in writing and sent by overnight delivery as follows:

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9. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement represents the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and all prior agreements between the parties relating to this matter, written or oral, are nullified and suspended hereby.

MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY

Date: March 8, 2001 By: Robert Edwards

Its: Account Specialist

CGU INSURANCE

Date: 3/26, 2001 By: Gene Waymon

Its: Claim Specialist

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March 8, 2001

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RE:	Your Client:	Commercial Union
	Policyholder:	CoCa Mines
	Matter:	George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company Inc.

Dear Ms. Klawon:

I am enclosing a copy of the Tolling Agreement between our company and your client. I look forward to receiving an executed copy at your client's convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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February 28, 2001

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	Tendering Party	:	Hecla Mining Company
	Policies	:	FCW61 47 20 (12/24/82-83) CCD08 35 07 (12/24/82-83) FCW68 96 50 (12/24/83-07/30/84) CCD 225126 (12/24/83-84)
	Complaint	:	Creque, et al. v. Cactus Gold Mines Co., Inc. et al., Kern County Superior Court Case No. 235323 SPC
	Site	:	Cactus Gold Mines Project Area, Mojave, California

Dear Mr. Edwards:

We are in receipt of the proposed tolling agreement. While it is generally acceptable to CGU, there are a couple of changes which need to be made. First, it should reference CGU Insurance rather than Commercial Union Insurance Company throughout the agreement. It would be acceptable to first identify the carrier as "CGU Insurance (formerly known as Commercial Union Insurance Company)." Second, the agreement needs to state that it regards only the specific claim involved here. As written, the agreement refers to no specific claim.

As for the notice provision, please provide that notice to CGU will go to two individuals:

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With these changes, CGU will agree to the tolling agreement.

Sincerely,

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MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY

Date: _____, 2001 By: _____

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Its: _____

CGU INSURANCE

Date: _____, 2001 By: _____

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Its: _____

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Date: _____, 2001 By: _____

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Its: _____

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February 16, 2001

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RE:	Your Client:	Commercial Union
	Policyholder:	CoCa Mines
	Matter:	George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company Inc.

Dear Ms. Klawon:

I am enclosing a copy of a proposed Tolling Agreement between our company and your client. I look forward to receiving any comments that you may have.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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	Site	:	Cactus Gold Mines Project Area, Mojave, California

Dear Mr. Edwards:

We are in receipt of your recent letter suggesting a tolling agreement during CGU's efforts to locate its underwriting files on this matter. We seem to be getting close to resolving that issue, but, of course, there could be unforeseen delays. Accordingly, CGU would be amenable to entering such an agreement with Zurich. Please send whatever language you would like to use so that we may review it. We will look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Claim

Hazardous Waste 180-Day Report

Claim Number: 985 0027505 Insured: CoCa Mines

Developments since last report: The matter has been settled and contributed 135K & CoCa contributed 165K for a 300K settlement. We believe all outstanding defense costs have been paid. We have a settlement Agreement. We were able to get a SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION FROM THE INSURED TOWARDS SETTLEMENT.

Future actions/plans: We are continuing our efforts with CU for contribution. We are seeking 44% from CU - 120K in defense 59K in indemnity. We are seeking a tolling agreement if we don't get a response soon.

Defense Sharing Agreement: Yes____ No X Loss_____ Expense_____

Companies Sharing: _____

Reserves: Are reserves adequate? yes

	TOTAL ORIGINAL FILE RESERVES		NEW 180 DAY TOTAL RESERVES	
	Indemnity	Expense	Indemnity	Expense
Bodily Injury:				
Property Damage:				
TOTAL:				

Prepared by: [signature] Date: 1/31/01

Approved by: DRS Date: 2/14/01

Remarks: _____

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ZURICH

January 31, 2001

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RE:	Your Client:	Commercial Union
	Policyholder:	CoCa Mines
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Dear Ms. Klawon:

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Thank you for your correspondence dated January 17, 2001 regarding the above referenced matter. While we appreciate the efforts of your client to locate file information, we will attempt to be as patient as possible. In light of the issues associated with this matter, I would appreciate you raising the issue of a tolling agreement with your client. I look forward to discussing this issue with you at your convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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	Policies	:	FCW61 47 20 (12/24/82-83) CCD08 35 07 (12/24/82-83) FCW68 96 50 (12/24/83-07/30/84) CCD 225126 (12/24/83-84)
	Complaint	:	Creque, et al. v. Cactus Gold Mines Co., Inc. et al., Kern County Superior Court Case No. 235323 SPC
	Site	:	Cactus Gold Mines Project Area Mojave, California

Dear Mr. Edwards:

I am writing simply to let you know that we are still undertaking efforts to locate our file information which will allow us to respond to your inquiries on resolving this matter as between Zurich and CGU. Thank you for your continued patience, and rest assured that we will contact you once we are in a position to discuss this matter fully.

Sincerely,

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RE:	Your Client:	Commercial Union
	Policyholder:	CoCa Mines
	Matter:	George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company Inc.

Dear Ms. Klawon:

As you know, we discussed a possible resolution to settling our company's contribution claim against your client for legal fees as well as a portion of the settlement that we paid to resolve the above referenced matter. I would appreciate a response with respect to your client's position. We would prefer to resolve this matter on an amicable basis instead of pursuing other alternatives which may be costly to your client. We look forward to hearing from you at your convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Dear Mr. Edwards:

Pursuant to the request contained in your letter dated August 7, 2000, I am attaching a list, we have compiled from the original Plaintiffs list, together with written and oral discovery, which provides, to the best of our knowledge, the current address, length of residence and distance from the mine site of 79 of the remaining Plaintiffs. With respect to the nature and extent of the alleged injuries, we had previously forwarded to you, which I believe has crossed in the mail, our damage chart regarding each of the Plaintiffs for whom we have taken depositions.

If I can provide any further information to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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DISTANCE OF PLAINTIFFS'

RESIDENCES FROM MINE SITE

Name	Address	Length of Residence	Distance from Mine
Abrahamson, Stephanie	4135 Manley Road Rosamond, CA 93560 607 W. Avenue H-8 Lancaster, CA 93514	1993 – present	12 miles 19 miles
Arevalo, Gabriel (a minor child)	7294 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Since birth	1 mile
Arevalo, Israel (a minor child)	7294 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Since birth	1 mile
Arevalo, Jose A.	7294 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	20 years	1 mile
Arevalo, Yesenia (a minor child)	7294 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Since birth	1 mile
Bowen, Kathy	8833 Lone Butte Road Mojave, CA 93501 8801 Lone Butte Road Mojave, CA 93501 17066 E. Avenue "G" Lancaster, CA	1993 – present 1988 – 1993 1983 – 1988	3 miles 3 miles 39 miles
Bowen, Lee	8833 Lone Butte Road Mojave, CA 93501	1982 – present	3 miles
Breiding, John	2103 Donna Drive Rosamond, CA 93560	Unknown	8 miles
Breiding, Robin	2103 Donna Drive Rosamond, CA 93560	Unknown	8 miles
Burnett, Andrew (a minor child)	6621 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	According to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past five years. (We have yet to depose this individual so we are unaware of the exact dates and places of residence.)	1.5 miles

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Burnett, Anna Sue	6621 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	According to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past five years. (We have yet to depose this individual so we are unaware of the exact dates and places of residence.)	1.5 miles
Burnett, George	6621 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	According to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past five years. (We have yet to depose this individual so we are unaware of the exact dates and places of residence.)	1.5 miles
Butler, Jeannette	8104 Stagecoach Lane Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	6
Butler, Veryl	8104 Stagecoach Lane Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	6
Cook, Geary	9078 Nancy Street Mojave, CA 93501	September 1993-present	1.5 miles
	Rural Address in Rosamond HCR 3, Box 410	Unknown	Unknown
	5333 W. Avenue L-4 Lancaster, CA 93536	Unknown	23 miles
Cook, Patricia	9078 Nancy Street Mojave, CA 93501	September 1993-present	1.5 miles
	Rural Address in Rosamond HCR 3, Box 410	Unknown	Unknown
	5333 W. Avenue L-4 Lancaster, CA 93536	Unknown	23 miles
Dalton, Kathy	3236 Shelly Street Rosamond, CA 93560	1996 – present	7 miles
	Stonehenge Mobile Estates 20th Street West Rosamond, CA	3 years prior to living at the above address.	Unknown
	Somewhere on "B" Street in Rosamond, CA	1 ½ years prior to the living at the above address.	Unknown
Davidson, Nancy	7131 140th Street West Rosamond, CA 93560	Unknown	16 miles

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Davis, Grace (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Mojave, CA 93501	We have yet to depose this Plaintiff, however, according to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past 5 years.	3 miles
Davis, Samuel (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Mojave, CA 93501	We have yet to depose this Plaintiff, however, according to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past 5 years.	3 miles
Davis-Justus, Cameron (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Mojave, CA 93501	We have yet to depose this Plaintiff, however, according to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past 5 years.	3 miles
Edmonds, Eric	9643 55th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Since 1995	6 miles
Edmonds, Heather	9643 55th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Since October 1995	6 miles
	41540 Nonpareil Palmdale, CA 93551	1992 – October 1995	26 miles
	2781 Bonito Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1979 – 1992	9 miles
Edmonds, Shelly	9643 55th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Since July 1996	6 miles
	14329 Lear Street Mojave, CA 93501	Resided at this address for 6 months prior to residing at the above address.	7 miles
	21801 Stone Place Tehachapi, CA 93561	Resided at this address for 6 months prior to residing at the above address.	27 miles
Edmonds, Thomas	5600 Edmonds Way Mojave, CA 93501	1971 – present	6 miles
Ellis, Brian E.	9708 N. 58th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	For the past 10 years.	5 miles
Ellis, Brian M.	9708 N. 58th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	1990 – 1994 (Has been incarcerated in various California penal institutions since 1994.)	5 miles

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Ellis, Daniel	9708 N. 58th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	For the past 10 years.	5 miles
Ellis, Pamela	9708 N. 58th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	For the past 10 years.	5 miles
Ellis, Rebecca	9708 N. 58th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	For the past 10 years.	5 miles
Fisher, Amanda	Leslie Street Rosamond, CA 15th Street West Rosamond, CA	1992 1988 – 1992	Unknown Unknown
Fisher, Davina	Leslie Street Rosamond, CA 15th Street West Rosamond, CA	1992 1988 – 1992	Unknown Unknown
Fisher, Krystal	Leslie Street Rosamond, CA 15th Street West Rosamond, CA	1992 1988 – 1992	Unknown Unknown
Fisher, Michael	Leslie Street Rosamond, CA	1992	Unknown
Fox, Nina	Nina Fox testified that she lived in Rosamond between 1985 – 1994, but couldn't remember the address.	1985 – 1994	Unknown
Hooper, James	21109 Windsong Street California City, CA 93505 9266 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	1991 – present 1972 – 1991	33 miles 6 miles
Hooper, Marlene	21109 Windsong Street California City, CA 93505 9266 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	1991 – present 1972 – 1991	33 miles 6 miles
Hufford, Tara Dayne	3236 Shelly Street Rosamond, CA 93560 2016 Donna Drive Rosamond, CA 93560	1995 – July 1999 1992 – 1995	7 miles 8 miles
Johnson, Joan	8843 59 Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	5 miles

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Johnson, Robert	8843 59 Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	5 miles
Jones, Donald	8569 20th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	4 miles
Jones, Margaret	8569 20th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	4 miles
Langaard, David	44947 Spearman Avenue Lancaster, CA 93514 Exact address unknown.	1991 – present David Langaard testified that he resided at the Desert Winds Trailer Park for 6 months in 1991.	20 miles Unknown
Langaard, Mona	44947 Spearman Avenue Lancaster, CA 93514 Exact address unknown.	1991 – present David Langaard testified that he resided at the Desert Winds Trailer Park for 6 months in 1991.	20 miles Unknown
Leavitt, Donald	217 Eagle Lane Palmdale, CA 93551 Plaintiff testified that he never actually lived in the Mojave/Rosamond area. He only owned real property there.	1997 – present	26 miles
Longrifle, Alexander	10500 15th Street East Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	11 miles
Milburn, Nolan	8495 60th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	12 miles
Milburn, Rita	8495 60th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	12 miles
Ness, Rusty	5639 Felsite Rosamond, CA 93560	1992 – present	10 miles
Popolizio, Deborah	25349 Bear Valley Road Tehachapi, CA 93651 6210 Flint Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	May 1998 – present June 1990 – May 1998	40 miles 2 miles

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Popolizio, Steven	25349 Bear Valley Road Tehachapi, CA 93651	May 1998 – present	40 miles
	6210 Flint Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	June 1990 – May 1998	2 miles
Quinton, Jimmie	We have yet to depose this Plaintiff. However, from discovery responses, Plaintiff disclosed that re resided, within the last five years, at the following residence:		
	7075 140th Street West Rosamond, CA 93560	February 1997 – March 1999	14 miles
	9668 West Rosamond Blvd. Rosamond, CA 93560	1991 – February 1997	13 miles
Riddle, Jared (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Riddle, Jesse (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Riddle, Lee Ann	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Riddle, Mark	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Sanchez, Alfonso	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
Sanchez, Hillary (a minor child)	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
Sanchez, Joseph (a minor child)	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
Sanchez, Toni (a minor child)	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
Sanchez-Orsini, Julio	9740 55th Street, West Mojave, CA 93501 This address is the only one disclosed by Plaintiff. However, Plaintiff testified that he has lived in the Rosamond area since 1988.	1992 – present	4 miles
Sanchez-Orsini, Mignonne	9740 55th Street, West Mojave, CA 93501	1982 – present	4 miles

Name	Address	Length of Residence	Distance from Mine
Santiago, Phillip	2887 "B" Street Rosamond, CA	1994 – present	5 miles
Satton, Carl (a minor child)	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Debra	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Ricki (a minor child)	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Ryan (a minor child)	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Timothy	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Stidham, James	9740 W. 55th Street Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	4 miles
Sullivan, Christine	2887 "B" Street Rosamond, CA	1994 – present	5 miles
Ward, Bonnie	3549 Douglas Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	February 1999 – present	9 miles
	3279 Arthur Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	August 1997 – February 1999	8 miles
	6074 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	November 1993 – August 1997	5 miles
Ward, Jeremiah (a minor child)	5555 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1995 – present	
	4273 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1994 – October 1995	
Ward, John	21282 Highway 14 Mojave, CA 93501	March 1998 – present	10 miles
	6074 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	November 1994 – March 1998	5 miles
Ward, Joyce	5555 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1995 – present	4 miles
	4273 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1994 – October 1995	3 miles
Ward, Meaghan (a minor child)	5555 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1995 – present	4 miles
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Woody, Anna Belle	5055 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	1996 – present	5 miles
Woody, Gwen	5055 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	1996 – present	5 miles
Woody, James	5055 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	1996 – present	5 miles
Wright, John	8448 Joshua Lane Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	15 miles

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Re: *George Crieque, et al. v. Cactus Gold Mines, et al.; Case No. 235323 RDR*
Policyholder – CoCa Mines Company;
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UB 21826561 (6/4/82 – 12/24/82)

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Pursuant to the request contained in your letter dated August 7, 2000, I am attaching a list, we have compiled from the original Plaintiffs list, together with written and oral discovery, which provides, to the best of our knowledge, the current address, length of residence and distance from the mine site of 79 of the remaining Plaintiffs. With respect to the nature and extent of the alleged injuries, we had previously forwarded to you, which I believe has crossed in the mail, our damage chart regarding each of the Plaintiffs for whom we have taken depositions.

If I can provide any further information to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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DISTANCE OF PLAINTIFFS'

RESIDENCES FROM MINE SITE

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Arevalo, Gabriel (a minor child)	7294 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Since birth	1 mile
Arevalo, Israel (a minor child)	7294 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Since birth	1 mile
Arevalo, Jose A.	7294 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	20 years	1 mile
Arevalo, Yesenia (a minor child)	7294 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Since birth	1 mile
Bowen, Kathy	8833 Lone Butte Road Mojave, CA 93501	1993 – present	3 miles
	8801 Lone Butte Road Mojave, CA 93501	1988 – 1993	3 miles
	17066 E. Avenue "G" Lancaster, CA	1983 – 1988	39 miles
Bowen, Lee	8833 Lone Butte Road Mojave, CA 93501	1982 – present	3 miles
Breiding, John	2103 Donna Drive Rosamond, CA 93560	Unknown	8 miles
Breiding, Robin	2103 Donna Drive Rosamond, CA 93560	Unknown	8 miles
Burnett, Andrew (a minor child)	6621 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	According to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past five years. (We have yet to depose this individual so we are unaware of the exact dates and places of residence.)	1.5 miles

Name	Address	Length of Residence	Distance from Mine
Burnett, Anna Sue	6621 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	According to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past five years. (We have yet to depose this individual so we are unaware of the exact dates and places of residence.)	1.5 miles
Burnett, George	6621 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	According to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past five years. (We have yet to depose this individual so we are unaware of the exact dates and places of residence.)	1.5 miles
Butler, Jeannette	8104 Stagecoach Lane Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	6
Butler, Veryl	8104 Stagecoach Lane Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	6
Cook, Geary	9078 Nancy Street Mojave, CA 93501	September 1993-present	1.5 miles
	Rural Address in Rosamond HCR 3, Box 410	Unknown	Unknown
	5333 W. Avenue L-4 Lancaster, CA 93536	Unknown	23 miles
Cook, Patricia	9078 Nancy Street Mojave, CA 93501	September 1993-present	1.5 miles
	Rural Address in Rosamond HCR 3, Box 410	Unknown	Unknown
	5333 W. Avenue L-4 Lancaster, CA 93536	Unknown	23 miles
Dalton, Kathy	3236 Shelly Street Rosamond, CA 93560	1996 – present	7 miles
	Stonehenge Mobile Estates 20th Street West Rosamond, CA	3 years prior to living at the above address.	Unknown
	Somewhere on "B" Street in Rosamond, CA	1 ½ years prior to the living at the above address.	Unknown
Davidson, Nancy	7131 140th Street West Rosamond, CA 93560	Unknown	16 miles

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Davis, Grace (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Mojave, CA 93501	We have yet to depose this Plaintiff, however, according to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past 5 years.	3 miles
Davis, Samuel (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Mojave, CA 93501	We have yet to depose this Plaintiff, however, according to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past 5 years.	3 miles
Davis-Justus, Cameron (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Mojave, CA 93501	We have yet to depose this Plaintiff, however, according to discovery responses, Plaintiff has resided at this address for at least the past 5 years.	3 miles
Edmonds, Eric	9643 55th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Since 1995	6 miles
Edmonds, Heather	9643 55th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Since October 1995	6 miles
	41540 Nonpareil Palmdale, CA 93551	1992 – October 1995	26 miles
	2781 Bonito Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1979 – 1992	9 miles
Edmonds, Shelly	9643 55th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Since July 1996	6 miles
	14329 Lear Street Mojave, CA 93501	Resided at this address for 6 months prior to residing at the above address.	7 miles
	21801 Stone Place Tehachapi, CA 93561	Resided at this address for 6 months prior to residing at the above address.	27 miles
Edmonds, Thomas	5600 Edmonds Way Mojave, CA 93501	1971 – present	6 miles
Ellis, Brian E.	9708 N. 58th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	For the past 10 years.	5 miles
Ellis, Brian M.	9708 N. 58th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	1990 – 1994 (Has been incarcerated in various California penal institutions since 1994.)	5 miles

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Ellis, Daniel	9708 N. 58th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	For the past 10 years.	5 miles
Ellis, Pamela	9708 N. 58th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	For the past 10 years.	5 miles
Ellis, Rebecca	9708 N. 58th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	For the past 10 years.	5 miles
Fisher, Amanda	Leslie Street Rosamond, CA 15th Street West Rosamond, CA	1992 1988 – 1992	Unknown Unknown
Fisher, Davina	Leslie Street Rosamond, CA 15th Street West Rosamond, CA	1992 1988 – 1992	Unknown Unknown
Fisher, Krystal	Leslie Street Rosamond, CA 15th Street West Rosamond, CA	1992 1988 – 1992	Unknown Unknown
Fisher, Michael	Leslie Street Rosamond, CA	1992	Unknown
Fox, Nina	Nina Fox testified that she lived in Rosamond between 1985 – 1994, but couldn't remember the address.	1985 – 1994	Unknown
Hooper, James	21109 Windsong Street California City, CA 93505 9266 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	1991 – present 1972 – 1991	33 miles 6 miles
Hooper, Marlene	21109 Windsong Street California City, CA 93505 9266 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	1991 – present 1972 – 1991	33 miles 6 miles
Hufford, Tara Dayne	3236 Shelly Street Rosamond, CA 93560 2016 Donna Drive Rosamond, CA 93560	1995 – July 1999 1992 – 1995	7 miles 8 miles
Johnson, Joan	8843 59 Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	5 miles

Name	Address	Length of Residence	Distance from Mine
Johnson, Robert	8843 59 Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	5 miles
Jones, Donald	8569 20th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	4 miles
Jones, Margaret	8569 20th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	4 miles
Langaard, David	44947 Spearman Avenue Lancaster, CA 93514 Exact address unknown.	1991 – present David Langaard testified that he resided at the Desert Winds Trailer Park for 6 months in 1991.	20 miles Unknown
Langaard, Mona	44947 Spearman Avenue Lancaster, CA 93514 Exact address unknown.	1991 – present David Langaard testified that he resided at the Desert Winds Trailer Park for 6 months in 1991.	20 miles Unknown
Leavitt, Donald	217 Eagle Lane Palmdale, CA 93551 Plaintiff testified that he never actually lived in the Mojave/Rosamond area. He only owned real property there.	1997 – present	26 miles
Longrifle, Alexander	10500 15th Street East Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	11 miles
Milburn, Nolan	8495 60th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	12 miles
Milburn, Rita	8495 60th Street West Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	12 miles
Ness, Rusty	5639 Felsite Rosamond, CA 93560	1992 – present	10 miles
Popolizio, Deborah	25349 Bear Valley Road Tehachapi, CA 93651 6210 Flint Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	May 1998 – present June 1990 – May 1998	40 miles 2 miles

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Popolizio, Steven	25349 Bear Valley Road Tehachapi, CA 93651	May 1998 – present	40 miles
	6210 Flint Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	June 1990 – May 1998	2 miles
Quinton, Jimmie	We have yet to depose this Plaintiff. However, from discovery responses, Plaintiff disclosed that re resided, within the last five years, at the following residence:		
	7075 140th Street West Rosamond, CA 93560	February 1997 – March 1999	14 miles
	9668 West Rosamond Blvd. Rosamond, CA 93560	1991 – February 1997	13 miles
Riddle, Jared (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Riddle, Jesse (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Riddle, Lee Ann	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Riddle, Mark	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Sanchez, Alfonso	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
Sanchez, Hillary (a minor child)	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
Sanchez, Joseph (a minor child)	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
Sanchez, Toni (a minor child)	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
Sanchez-Orsini, Julio	9740 55th Street, West Mojave, CA 93501 This address is the only one disclosed by Plaintiff. However, Plaintiff testified that he has lived in the Rosamond area since 1988.	1992 – present	4 miles
Sanchez-Orsini, Mignonne	9740 55th Street, West Mojave, CA 93501	1982 – present	4 miles

Name	Address	Length of Residence	Distance from Mine
Santiago, Phillip	2887 "B" Street Rosamond, CA	1994 – present	5 miles
Satton, Carl (a minor child)	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Debra	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Rieki (a minor child)	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Ryan (a minor child)	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Timothy	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Stidham, James	9740 W. 55th Street Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	4 miles
Sullivan, Christine	2887 "B" Street Rosamond, CA	1994 – present	5 miles
Ward, Bonnie	3549 Douglas Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	February 1999 – present	9 miles
	3279 Arthur Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	August 1997 – February 1999	8 miles
	6074 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	November 1993 – August 1997	5 miles
Ward, Jeremiah (a minor child)	5555 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1995 – present	
	4273 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1994 – October 1995	
Ward, John	21282 Highway 14 Mojave, CA 93501	March 1998 – present	10 miles
	6074 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	November 1994 – March 1998	5 miles
Ward, Joyce	5555 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1995 – present	4 miles
	4273 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1994 – October 1995	3 miles
Ward, Meaghan (a minor child)	5555 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1995 – present	4 miles
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Name	Address	Length of Residence	Distance from Mine
Woody, Anna Belle	5055 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	1996 – present	5 miles
Woody, Gwen	5055 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	1996 – present	5 miles
Woody, James	5055 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	1996 – present	5 miles
Wright, John	8448 Joshua Lane Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	15 miles

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Riddle, Jesse (a minor child)	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Riddle, Lee Ann	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Riddle, Mark	6419 Montiverde Road Rosamond, CA 93560	May 1994 – present	3 miles
Sanchez, Alfonso	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
Sanchez, Hillary (a minor child)	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
Sanchez, Joseph (a minor child)	5394 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	2 miles
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Sanchez-Orsini, Julio	9740 55th Street, West Mojave, CA 93501 This address is the only one disclosed by Plaintiff. However, Plaintiff testified that he has lived in the Rosamond area since 1988.	1992 – present	4 miles
Sanchez-Orsini, Mignonne	9740 55th Street, West Mojave, CA 93501	1982 – present	4 miles

Name	Address	Length of Residence	Distance from Mine
Santiago, Phillip	2887 "B" Street Rosamond, CA	1994 – present	5 miles
Satton, Carl (a minor child)	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Debra	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Ricki (a minor child)	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Ryan (a minor child)	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Scherer, Timothy	6230 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	5 miles
Stidham, James	9740 W. 55th Street Mojave, CA 93501	1992 – present	4 miles
Sullivan, Christine	2887 "B" Street Rosamond, CA	1994 – present	5 miles
Ward, Donnie	3549 Douglas Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	February 1999 – present	9 miles
	3279 Arthur Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	August 1997 – February 1999	8 miles
	6074 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	November 1993 – August 1997	5 miles
Ward, Jeremiah (a minor child)	5555 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1995 – present	
	4273 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1994 – October 1995	
Ward, John	21282 Highway 14 Mojave, CA 93501	March 1998 – present	10 miles
	6074 Brer Rabbit Avenue Mojave, CA 93501	November 1994 – March 1998	5 miles
Ward, Joyce	5555 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1995 – present	4 miles
	4273 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1994 – October 1995	3 miles
Ward, Meaghan (a minor child)	5555 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1995 – present	4 miles
	4273 Backus Road Mojave, CA 93501	October 1994 – October 1995	3 miles

Name	Address	Length of Residence	Distance from Mine
Woody, Anna Belle	5055 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	1996 – present	5 miles
Woody, Gwen	5055 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	1996 – present	5 miles
Woody, James	5055 Pioneer Road Mojave, CA 93501	1996 – present	5 miles
Wright, John	8448 Joshua Lane Mojave, CA 93501	Unknown	15 miles

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FROM: Mark Wielga **DATE:** August 15, 2000

PHONE: (303) 382-2919 **MATTER:** 001-06

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Robert Edwards	Zurich U.S.	410-554-5042	410-338-1573

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August 15, 2000

VIA FACSIMILE/U.S. MAIL

Mr. Robert Edwards
Zurich U.S.
Legal Services
3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

RE: George Creque, Jr., et al. (the "Plaintiffs") v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et al. (the "Litigation")
Policyholder: CoCa Mines ("Insured")
Policy No.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82

Dear Robert:

I am writing to memorialize the terms of the agreement that we have reached concerning a settlement of the Litigation. Of course, this letter and our communications have been conducted as settlement negotiations only and no rights, claims or defenses have been waived by either party. It is our agreement that Zurich U.S. ("Zurich") shall contribute to a settlement of the claims asserted by the Plaintiffs as follows:

50% of the first $200,000 for a maximum of $100,000
30% of any amounts between $200,000 and $325,000 for
a maximum of 37,500
Maximum contributed by Zurich to settlement $137,500

In addition, Zurich will continue to pay amounts billed by the law firm of Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden, LLP, for work in the Litigation in accordance with the agreements previously reached with the Insured. Also, the Insured will immediately begin settlement negotiations with Plaintiffs in an attempt to reach a reasonable settlement and will control those negotiations. No Zurich representative will appear at the court ordered Settlement Conference in

the Litigation. Of course, the Insured does not guarantee that settlement with Plaintiffs will be consummated. In the event that a settlement with the Plaintiffs does take place, the amounts due from Zurich as listed above will be paid to the trust account of Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden, LLP within fifteen (15) days of the execution of the settlement agreement with the Plaintiffs. Contemporaneous with that payment, the Insured will execute a release of Zurich for any further liability with respect to the Litigation. In the event that no settlement is reached with the Plaintiffs by October 31, 2000, this agreement is of no further force and effect, without prejudice to Zurich's or the Insured's position on any issue.

Sincerely,

Mark Wielga

MW/lb

cc: John N. Galbavy, Esq. (Via Facsimile/U.S. Mail)

Temkin Wielga & Hardt LLP
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FROM: Mark Wielga **DATE:** August 11, 2000

PHONE: (303) 382-2919 **MATTER: 001-06**

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The "mining exclusion" does not preclude coverage in this case. The mining exclusion refers only to "mining operations or any gas or oil well drilling." Mining is the act of extracting ore from the earth. *See, e.g.* Black's Law Dictionary, Revised Fourth Edition ("the process of extracting from the earth the precious or valuable metals"). It is different from exploration, milling, refining, smelting, disposal, and reclamation all of which were activities performed by CoCa at the Site.

The Second Amended Complaint in this case refers to a broad range of activities, including "refining, smelting and other related activities." Second Amended Complaint, paragraph 7A. The Second Amended Complaint goes on to state that "these activities resulted in and continued to cause the introduction dissemination and/or placement into the general environment of numerous toxic substances, compounds, contaminants and/or pollutants, including mercury, cyanide and other chemicals." Second Amended Complaint, paragraph 7A. It should be noted that neither cyanide nor mercury are used in "mining," but were used at the Site to extract metals from ore that had already been mined. The Second Amended Complaint goes on to state "plaintiffs are informed and believe that these toxic substances were disseminated and/or otherwise related into the environment as part and parcel and/or a by-product in secondary to the operations and activities occurring at and about the Cactus Shumake Mines referenced above." Second Amended Complaint, paragraph 7A. The Second Amended Complaint alleges that contamination was caused by the "improper management and/or improper disposal of by-products, including mercury, cyanide into the environment." Second Amended Complaint, paragraph 7A.

The Second Amended Complaint includes within the operations at issue in the case the "crushing of the ore to a specific size, placement of the crushed ore in extremely lengthy and high leach piles, percolation of various pollutants including a sodium cyanide "barren" solution through the ore and the processing of the resulting "pregnant" solution to recover the gold and silver." Second Amended Complaint, paragraph 7B. None of these processes involve mining; all are a part of the milling process.

The Second Amended Complaint gives a detailed description of the mercury vapors which are a by-product of the milling process. Second Amended Complaint, paragraph 7B. None of the chemicals described in the Second Amended Complaint are used in mining. While the allegations are broad, it is obvious that the plaintiffs are seeking damages based on alleged contamination that arose primarily from milling, disposal and reclamation.

It is clear that the "mining exclusion" concerns mining, and not the other activities which give rise to the great majority of the claims in this case. Under Colorado law, a strict interpretation is given to exclusions in insurance policies. *See e.g.*, Fire Insurance Exchange v. Bentley, 953 P.2d 1297, 1300 (Colo. App. 1998) ("coverage provisions in insurance contract are to be liberally construed in favor of the insured to provide the broadest possible coverage"); Tepe v. Rocky Mountain Hospital and Medical Services, 893 P.2d 1323, 1328 (Colo. App. 1994) ("the insurance contract must be construed in favor of coverage and against limitations"); State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company v. Nissan, 851 P.2d 165 (Colo. 1993). Considering this case law, the language of the mining exclusion and the allegations in the Second Amended Complaint, there can be no good faith doubt that the Policies cover CoCa in this litigation.

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FROM: Mark Wielga **DATE:** August 8, 2000

PHONE: (303) 382-2919 **MATTER:** 001-06

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FROM: Mark Wielga
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DATE: July 31, 2000
MATTER: 001-06

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COCA MINES INC.
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TO: Laura
FROM: Bob
DATE: 11/29/00

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37 MCE	N	$ 6980.19	$	185-
37 RPT		$	$	185-
		$	$	185-
		$ 7,105.19	$	185- 9625

PAYEE: HECLA Mining Company

MAIL TO: John N. Golbavy

ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive

CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

TAX ID: NA

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November 21, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
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Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy No.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82
Claim No.: 985-0027505 001 A1

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Enclosed please find the invoice dated November 8, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amount of $7,794.66 for services rendered for the month of October. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $7,015.19.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

John N. Galbavy
Corporate Counsel

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Enclosures

c: Michael B. White, Esq.
Mark Wielga, Esq.
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FROM: Bob
DATE: 11/3/00

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		$ 9,959.80	$	185- 6348

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: John N. Galbary, Esq

ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive

CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

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October 30, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
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3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
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UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82
Claim No.: 985-0027505 001 A1

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Enclosed please find the invoice dated October 9, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amount of $11,066.45 for services rendered for the month of September. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $9,959.80.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

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John N. Galbavy

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Date	Invoice	Reference	Gross	Deduct.	Net Amt
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Oct09/00	0110-105523	PJ6073 H.O.	115.90	0.00	115.90
Check date Oct 26, 2000		Total	11,066.45	0.00	11,066.45

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HECLA MINING COMPANY

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DATE: Oct 26, 2000

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PAY EXACTLY: $11,066.45

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PAY TO THE ORDER OF

GRESHAM SAVAGE NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP
SUITE 300
600 NORTH ARROWHEAD AVENUE
SAN BERNARDINO CA 92401

HECLA MINING COMPANY

Arthur Brown

FIRST SECURITY BANK OF IDAHO
301 SHERMAN AVE.
COEUR d' ALENE, IDAHO 83814

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37 MCE		$	$	185-
37 RPT		$	$	185-
60 CLM	N	$ 135,000	$	185- 4778
		$	$	185-

PAYEE: Gresham Savage Nolan & Tilden, LLP Trust Account

MAIL TO: Duke Rouse, Esq

ADDRESS: 600 N Arrowhead Ave Ste 300

CITY: San Bernardino STATE: Ca ZIP: 92401

TAX ID: NA

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Northern Insurance

3910 KESWICK ROAD
BALTIMORE MD 21211
410 366-1000

CHECK NUMBER: 1850004778
DATE ISSUED: 10/19/00
AMOUNT: 135,000.00

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CLAIM NUMBER: 985-0027505 001 AI
TAX ID:
POLICY NUMBER: SMP31501167
INVOICE NUMBER:
DATE OF LOSS: 12/24/80
PYMT SERVICE DATES:
INSURED: COCA MINES INC
CLAIMANT: CACTUS GOLD SITE
FILE SUPERVISOR: EDWARDS, BOB
PHONE NBR: 410 366-1000

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TOTAL: 135,000.00

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GRESHAM, SAVAGE, NOLAN & TOLDEN, LLP TRUST ACCOUNT

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600 N. ARROWHEAD AVE., STE.300
SAN BERNARDINO CA 92401

REQUESTED BY: BOLLING, LAURA

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ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY
ON BEHALF OF Northern Insurance

3910 KESWICK ROAD
BALTIMORE MD 21211

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CLAIM NUMBER: 985-0027505 001 AI

AMOUNT: ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND 00/100 ---------- Dollars

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600 N. ARROWHEAD AVE., STE.300
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ATTENTION
Duke Rouse, Esq.

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Suite 300

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		$	$	185-
		$ 20,731.34	$	185- 3123

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: John N. Galbary
ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive

CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

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September 22, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
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Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
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UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82
Claim No.: 985-0027505 001 A1

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In your letter dated July 30, 1999, Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case. From our prior correspondence and discussions, it is my understanding that in addition to participation in settlement as discussed between yourself and Hecla's counsel, Mark Wielge, Zurich would continue paying 90% of the costs of defense through resolution of the above-referenced matter.

Enclosed please find the invoice dated September 12, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amount of $23,034.82 for services rendered for the month of August. Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has paid these invoices directly. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $20,731.34.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

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Check date Sep 21, 2000		Total	23,034.82	0.00	23,034.82

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6500 MINERAL DRIVE
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DATE: Sep 21, 2000

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PAY EXACTLY: $23,034.82

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SUITE 300
600 NORTH ARROWHEAD AVENUE
SAN BERNARDINO CA 92401

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301 SHERMAN AVE.
COEUR d' ALENE, IDAHO 83814

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To: Denise Speer Insured: Cora Nunes

From: R Edwards File No: 985 6027505

Lawfirm: Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden

Counsel chosen by: Insured X Us ____ Other carrier ____

Number of suits/plaintiffs billed: ____/____

Billing Period: 8/1/00 to 8/30/00 Interim/Final Bill ____

Billing Frequency: Semi-Annual ____ Qtrly ____ (Monthly)

Hourly rates: Partners: $225/hr Associates: $125/hr
$____/hr $____/hr
$____/hr $____/hr
Paralegals: $____/hr Clerks: $____/hr
$____/hr $____/hr

Amount drops 10% based on defense agreement w/insd.

How many attorneys/others are working on this case? ____

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Current Expense Reserves: $425,000

Total amount of expenses paid to date: $253,000

Are reserves adequate? (Y) N (If not, attach Reserve Assmt Rept)

Litigation Cost projection: $325,000
For period: inception to conclusion

What is our share of the overall bill? 100%
Is it properly allocated in this bill? Y N

* * *

1. Does the bill indicate the date on which each service item was performed? (Y) N

2. Does the bill indicate the amount of time the attorney(s) spent on each service item? (Y) N

3. Does the bill indicate which attorney(s) performed each service item? (Y) N

4. Does the bill reflect proper billing increments? (Y) N
If not, what amount was improperly billed?____.

5. Does the bill reflect duplicate billings or billings for service items billed in a prior invoice? Y (N) If yes, the amount of the duplicate/prior billings _____.

6. Are travel expenses reasonable/documented? Y N (NA)

7. What is the rate for photocopying? 20¢ /page. Is it excessive? Y (N)

8. Does the bill reflect any of the following improper charges?

Secretarial overtime	_____	$_____
Word processing	_____	$_____
Meals for Atty/Other	_____	$_____
Document Printing	_____	$_____
Excess xerox charge	_____	$_____
Unnecessary travel	_____	$_____
Paralegal Use	_____	$_____
Phone charges	_____	$_____
Express mail	_____	$_____
_____	_____	$_____
_____	_____	$_____

TOTAL OF IMPROPER CHARGES: $ 0

9. Does the bill reflect excessive charges, charges for excessive research, improper charges for intraoffice conferences, and/or charges for unauthorized work? If so, please list the excessive and/or unauthorized charges:

_____ $_____
_____ $_____
_____ $_____
_____ $_____
_____ $_____

TOTAL OF EXCESSIVE/UNAUTHORIZED CHARGES $ 0

DEDUCTIONS/MODIFICATIONS

Total deductions for improper charges.....$_____
Total deductions for excessive/unauthorized work..$_____
Total deductions for:
_____.....$_____
_____.....$_____
_____.....$_____

A. TOTAL DEDUCTIONS $ 0

If counsel has billed at higher rate than agreed rates, please modify the bill accordingly:

Atty/other	Hrs. worked	Rate difference	Adjustment
		$	$
		$	$
		$	$
		$	$

B. TOTAL MODIFICATION FOR RATE DIFFERENCE . . . $ 2,303.48

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF BILL: $ 23,034.82

LESS DEDUCTIONS (A) ($ 0)

LESS MODIFICATIONS (B) ($ 2,30348)

TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID TOWARDS THIS BILL: $ 20,731.34

OUR SHARE: $ 20,731.34

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File handler's comments:

FILE HANDLER

Date: 10/3/00

Manager's comments:

MANAGER APPROVAL

Date: 10/3/00

Zurich0000200

$ CHECK REQUEST $

TO: Laura
FROM: Bob
DATE: 8/23/00

FILE NO.: 985 - 0027505
MASS LIT _____ POLLUTION _____
POLLUTION: PLEASE SPECIFY INSURED NAME/FILE CODE
Coeur Mines

PAY KIND	1099 (Y/N)	AMOUNT TO PAY	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	CHECK NUMBER
35 ATY	N	$ 32,615.19	$	85-
37 MCE	N	$ 11,901.55	$	85-
37 RPT		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-
		$ 49,516.74	$	85- 1225

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: John N. Galloway, Esq
ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive

CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

TAX ID: NA

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INVOICE#: 163521
INSTRUCTIONS (Y/N):

SERVICE DATES: 6-1-00 - 6/30/00

NATURE OF PAYMENT: legal fees / expenses

INSTRUCTIONS:

COPY OF CHECK TO:

CHECK ISSUED BY: _____ DATE ISSUED: 9/15/00

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Ed. Date: 10/9/98

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LEGAL BILL REVIEW WORKSHEET

To: Denise Speer Insured: Coca Mines

From: R Edwards File No: 985-0027505

Lawfirm: Gresham Savage Nolan & Tilden, LLP

Counsel chosen by: Insured X Us ____ Other carrier ____

Number of suits/plaintiffs billed: 85-100 / ____

Billing Period: 6/1/00 to 6/30/00 Interim/Final Bill ____

Billing Frequency: Semi-Annual ____ Qtrly ____ Monthly X

Hourly rates: Partners: $ 225 /hr Associates: $ 125.00 /hr
$ ____ /hr $ ____ /hr
$ ____ /hr $ ____ /hr
Paralegals: $ ____ /hr Clerks: $ ____ /hr
$ ____ /hr $ ____ /hr

Amount drops approx. 10% based on defense agreement w/ insured

How many attorneys/others are working on this case? 3

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Current Expense Reserves: $ 425,000

Total amount of expenses paid to date: $ 148,608

Are reserves adequate? (Y) N (If not, attach Reserve Assmt Rept)

Litigation Cost projection: $ 425,000
For period: inception to conclusion

What is our share of the overall bill? 100%
Is it properly allocated in this bill? Y N

* * *

1. Does the bill indicate the date on which each service item was performed? (Y) N

2. Does the bill indicate the amount of time the attorney(s) spent on each service item? (Y) N

3. Does the bill indicate which attorney(s) performed each service item? (Y) N

4. Does the bill reflect proper billing increments? (Y) N
If not, what amount was improperly billed? ____.

5. Does the bill reflect duplicate billings or billings for service items billed in a prior invoice? Y (N) If yes, the amount of the duplicate/prior billings _____.

6. Are travel expenses reasonable/documented? (Y) N

7. What is the rate for photocopying? 20¢ /page. Is it excessive? Y (N)

8. Does the bill reflect any of the following improper charges?

Secretarial overtime	_____	$_____
Word processing	_____	$_____
Meals for Atty/Other	_____	$_____
Document Printing	_____	$_____
Excess xerox charge	_____	$_____
Unnecessary travel	_____	$_____
Paralegal Use	_____	$_____
Phone charges	_____	$_____
Express mail	_____	$_____
_____	_____	$_____
_____	_____	$_____

TOTAL OF IMPROPER CHARGES: $ 0

9. Does the bill reflect excessive charges, charges for excessive research, improper charges for intraoffice conferences, and/or charges for unauthorized work? If so, please list the excessive and/or unauthorized charges:

_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____

TOTAL OF EXCESSIVE/UNAUTHORIZED CHARGES $ 0

DEDUCTIONS/MODIFICATIONS

Total deductions for improper charges.....$ 0
Total deductions for excessive/unauthorized work..$_____
Total deductions for:
_____.....$_____
_____.....$_____
_____.....$_____

A. TOTAL DEDUCTIONS $ 0

If counsel has billed at higher rate than agreed rates, please modify the bill accordingly:

Atty/other	Hrs. worked	Rate difference	Adjustment
		$	$
		$	$
		$	$
		$	$

B. TOTAL MODIFICATION FOR RATE DIFFERENCE . . . $ 5,501.86

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF BILL: $ 55,018.56

LESS DEDUCTIONS (A) ($)

LESS MODIFICATIONS (B) ($ 5,501.86)

TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID TOWARDS THIS BILL: $ 49,516.73

OUR SHARE: $ 49,516.73

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File handler's comments:

Significant discovery required to determine extent of any alleged injuries - Medical records were required

Robert Edwards

FILE HANDLER

Date: 9/14/00

Manager's comments:

OK

DLS

MANAGER APPROVAL

Date: 9/14/00

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ENVIRONMENTAL CLAIMS

July 28, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
Zurich U.S.
Legal Services
3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy no.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82
Claim No.: 985-0027505 001 A1

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In your letter dated July 30, 1999, Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case. From our prior correspondence and discussions, it is my understanding that Zurich would be paying 90% of the costs of defense in the above referenced matter.

Enclosed please find the invoice dated July 12, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amount of $55,018.59 for services rendered for the month of June l. Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has paid these invoices directly. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $49,516.73.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

John N. Galbavy
Corporate Counsel

JNG:csm
Enclosures

c: Michael B. White, Esq.
Mark Wielga, Esq.
Duke Rouse, Esq.

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GRES100 GRESHAM SAVAGE NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP Check No: 0110-062632

Date	Invoice	Reference	Gross	Deduct.	Net Amt
Jul12/00	0110-103521	PJ5974 H.O.	41,794.65	0.00	41,794.65
Jul12/00	0110-103521	PJ5974 H.O.	13,223.94	0.00	13,223.94
Check date Jul 27, 2000		Total	55,018.59	0.00	55,018.59

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PLEASE DETACH BEFORE DEPOSITING

Hecla MINING COMPANY

HECLA MINING COMPANY
6500 MINERAL DRIVE
COEUR d' ALENE, ID 83814-8788

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DATE: Jul 27, 2000

CHECK NUMBER: 0110-062632

PAY EXACTLY: $55,018.59

***55018 DOLLARS & 59 CENTS

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

GRESHAM SAVAGE NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP
SUITE 300
600 NORTH ARROWHEAD AVENUE
SAN BERNARDINO CA 92401

HECLA MINING COMPANY

FIRST SECURITY BANK OF IDAHO
301 SHERMAN AVE.
COEUR d' ALENE, IDAHO 83814

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$ CHECK REQUEST $

TO: Laura
FROM: Bob
DATE: 9/6/00

FILE NO.: 985 - 0027505
MASS LIT _____ POLLUTION _____
POLLUTION: PLEASE SPECIFY INSURED NAME/FILE CODE
Coeur Mines

PAY KIND	1099 (Y/N)	AMOUNT TO PAY	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	CHECK NUMBER
35 ATY	~~Y~~N	$ 42,509.32	$	85-
37 MCE	N	$ 13,088.54	$	85-
37 RPT		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-
		$ 55,597.86	$	85- 1224

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: " / John N. Galbavy, Esq.
ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive

CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788
TAX ID: NA
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INVOICE#: 104200
INSTRUCTIONS (Y/N):
SERVICE DATES: 7/3/00 - 7/31/00
NATURE OF PAYMENT: legal fees/expenses
INSTRUCTIONS:

COPY OF CHECK TO:

CHECK ISSUED BY: [signature] DATE ISSUED: 9/15/00

(Original form in Goldenrod color) Ed. Date: 10/9/98

Zurich0000215

LEGAL BILL REVIEW WORKSHEET

To: Denise Speer Insured: Cora Mines

From: R. Edwards File No: 985-002750S

Lawfirm: Gresham Savage Nolan & Tilden

Counsel chosen by: Insured X Us ____ Other carrier ____

Number of suits/plaintiffs billed: 85-100 / ____

Billing Period: 7/3/00 to 7/31/00 Interim/Final Bill ____

Billing Frequency: Semi-Annual ____ Qtrly ____ Monthly X

Hourly rates: Partners: $225/hr Associates: $125/hr
$____/hr $____/hr
$____/hr $____/hr
Paralegals: $____/hr Clerks: $____/hr
$____/hr $____/hr

How many attorneys/others are working on this case? ____

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Current Expense Reserves: $425K

Total amount of expenses paid to date: $148608

Are reserves adequate? (Y) N (If not, attach Reserve Assmt Rept)

Litigation Cost projection: $425
For period: inception to Conclusion

What is our share of the overall bill? 100%
Is it properly allocated in this bill? Y N

* * *

1. Does the bill indicate the date on which each service item was performed? (Y) N

2. Does the bill indicate the amount of time the attorney(s) spent on each service item? (Y) N

3. Does the bill indicate which attorney(s) performed each service item? (Y) N

4. Does the bill reflect proper billing increments? (Y) N
If not, what amount was improperly billed? ____.

5. Does the bill reflect duplicate billings or billings for service items billed in a prior invoice? Y (N) If yes, the amount of the duplicate/prior billings _____.

6. Are travel expenses reasonable/documented? (Y) N

7. What is the rate for photocopying? 20¢ /page. Is it excessive? (Y) N

8. Does the bill reflect any of the following improper charges?

Secretarial overtime	_____	$_____
Word processing	_____	$_____
Meals for Atty/Other	_____	$_____
Document Printing	_____	$_____
Excess xerox charge	_____	$_____
Unnecessary travel	_____	$_____
Paralegal Use	_____	$_____
Phone charges	_____	$_____
Express mail	_____	$_____
_____	_____	$_____
_____	_____	$_____

TOTAL OF IMPROPER CHARGES: $ 0

9. Does the bill reflect excessive charges, charges for excessive research, improper charges for intraoffice conferences, and/or charges for unauthorized work? If so, please list the excessive and/or unauthorized charges:

_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____
_____	$_____

TOTAL OF EXCESSIVE/UNAUTHORIZED CHARGES $ 0

DEDUCTIONS/MODIFICATIONS

Total deductions for improper charges.....$_____
Total deductions for excessive/unauthorized work..$_____
Total deductions for:
_____.....$_____
_____.....$_____
_____.....$_____

A. TOTAL DEDUCTIONS $ 0

If counsel has billed at higher rate than agreed rates, please modify the bill accordingly:

Atty/other	Hrs. worked	Rate difference	Adjustment
		$	$
		$	$
		$	$
		$	$

B. TOTAL MODIFICATION FOR RATE DIFFERENCE . . . $ 6,177.54

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF BILL: $ 61,775.40

LESS DEDUCTIONS (A) ($ 0)

LESS MODIFICATIONS (B) ($ 6,177.54)

TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID TOWARDS THIS BILL: $ 55,597.86

OUR SHARE: $ 55,597.86

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File handler's comments: extensive discovery continues medical records required - that is the reason for the expenses of over $13K

Robert Edwards

FILE HANDLER

Date: 9/14/00

Manager's comments: 10% cut by Heda - 10% cut by atty. OK to pay

MANAGER APPROVAL

Date: 9/14/00

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MINING COMPANY

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ENVIRONMENTAL CLAIMS

August 25, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
Zurich U.S.
Legal Services
3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy no.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82
Claim No.: 985-0027505 001 A1

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In your letter dated July 30, 1999, Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case. From our prior correspondence and discussions, it is my understanding that Zurich would be paying 90% of the costs of defense in the above-referenced matter.

Enclosed please find the invoice dated August 8, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amount of $61,775.40 for services rendered for the month of July. Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has paid these invoices directly. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $55,597.86.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

John N. Galbavy
Corporate Counsel

JNG:csm
Enclosures

c: Michael B. White, Esq.
Mark Wielga, Esq.
Duke Rouse, Esq.

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GRES100 GRESHAM SAVAGE NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP Check No: 0110-062977

Date	Invoice	Reference	G. ss	Deduct.	Net Amt
Aug08/00	0110-104200	PJ6002 H.O.	49,993.35	0.00	49,993.35
Aug08/00	0110-104200	PJ6002 H.O.	11,782.05	0.00	11,782.05
Check date Aug 24, 2000		Total	61,775.40	0.00	61,775.40

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HECLA MINING COMPANY

PLEASE DETACH BEFORE DEPOSITING

Hecla MINING COMPANY

HECLA MINING COMPANY
6500 MINERAL DRIVE
COEUR d' ALENE, ID 83814-8788

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DATE: Aug 24, 2000

CHECK NUMBER: 0110-062977

PAY EXACTLY: $61,775.40

***61775 DOLLARS & 40 CENTS

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

GRESHAM SAVAGE NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP
SUITE 300
600 NORTH ARROWHEAD AVENUE
SAN BERNARDINO CA 92401

HECLA MINING COMPANY

Arthur Brown

FIRST SECURITY BANK OF IDAHO
301 SHERMAN AVE.
COEUR d' ALENE, IDAHO 83814

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Zurich0000220

$ CHECK REQUEST $

TO: Laura
FROM: Bob
DATE: 8/7/00

FILE NO.: 985 - 0027505
MASS LIT _____ POLLUTION _____
POLLUTION: PLEASE SPECIFY INSURED NAME/FILE CODE
Coeur Mines

PAY KIND	1099 (Y/N)	AMOUNT TO PAY	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	CHECK NUMBER
35 ATY	~~Y~~ N	$ 2,000	$	85- 23098
37 MCE		$	$	85-
37 RPT		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: Hecla Mining Company / John Galbavy, Esq
ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive
Box C 8000

CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

TAX ID: NA

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INVOICE#: 102859

INSTRUCTIONS (Y/N):

SERVICE DATES: 5/1/00 - 5/30/00

NATURE OF PAYMENT: adjustment of legal fees

INSTRUCTIONS:

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Ed. Date: 10/9/98

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ENVIRONMENTAL CLAIMS

July 19, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
Zurich U.S.
Legal Services
3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy no.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82
Claim No.: 985-0027505 001 A1

Dear Mr. Edwards:

From our prior correspondence and discussions, it is my understanding that Zurich would be paying 90% of the costs of defense in the above referenced matter.

In reference to the May 2000 invoice from defense counsel Gresham, Savage Nolan & Tilden, 90% of the costs were correctly reimbursed but the fee reimbursement is in error. The total fees were $34,301.04 so the fee reimbursement should be $30,570.94 ($34,301.04 x 90% = $30,870.94). The check shows only $28,870.94 being paid (copy enclosed), leaving the remaining outstanding balance of $2,000.00 still due. Please reimburse Hecla Mining Company the amount due of $2,000.00.

Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

John N. Galbavy
Corporate Counsel

JNG:csm
Enclosures

c: Michael B. White, Esq.
Mark Wielga, Esq.
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3910 KESWICK ROAD
BALTIMORE MD 21211
410 366-1000

Northern Insurance

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By_____

HECLA MINING COMPANY; ATTN: JOHN GALBAVY
6500 MINERAL DRIVE
P.O. BOX C800
COEUR D'ALENE ID 83815 8788

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PLEASE INCLUDE CLAIM NUMBER ON ALL FUTURE CORRESPONDENCE

Claim Number	Policy Number	Invoice Number	Tax ID	Date of Loss	Payment Service Dates
985-0027505 001 AI	SMP31501167	102859		12/24/80	05/01/00-05/30/00

Check Number	8500018917	Date Issued	07/06/00	Amount	$*28,870.94
Insured	COCA MINES INC				
Claimant	CACTUS GOLD SITE				
Nature of Payment	REIMBURSEMENT OF DEFENSE COSTS.				
Issued To	HECLA MINING COMPANY				
Requested By	BOLLING, LAURA				
File Supervisor	EDWARDS, BOB	Phone Number	410 366-1000		

Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID	Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID
POLLUTION - BI	27,858.22		
POLLUTION - BI	1,012.72		
TOTAL	$28,870.94		

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ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY

70-2328/719

ZURICH 3910 KESWICK ROAD
BALTIMORE MD 21211

Claim Number	Date Issued	CHECK NO.
985-0027505 001 AI	07/06/00	8500018917

Amount: TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY AND 94/100 ---- DOLLARS

Pay to: HECLA MINING COMPANY

PAY THIS SUM
$*28,870.94

BANK OF AMERICA
COMMERCIAL DISBURSEMENT Acct
NORTHBROOK, IL

Michael Fortune

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$ CHECK REQUEST $

TO: Laura
FROM: Bob
DATE: 8/8/00

FILE NO.: 985 - 0027505
MASS LIT _____ POLLUTION _____
POLLUTION: PLEASE SPECIFY INSURED NAME/FILE CODE
CoCa Mines

PAY KIND	1099 (Y/N)	AMOUNT TO PAY	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	CHECK NUMBER
35 ATY	N	$ 17,969.85	$	85-
37 MCE	N	$ ~~[illegible]~~ 644.01	$	85-
37 RPT		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-
		$ 18,613.86	$ 20,682.07	85- 23097

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: Hecla Mining Company / John Galbary Esq
ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive
BOX C 8000

CITY: Coeur d' Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

TAX ID: NA

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INVOICE#: 102111

INSTRUCTIONS (Y/N): _____

SERVICE DATES: 4/1/00 - 4/30/00

NATURE OF PAYMENT: legal fees / expenses

INSTRUCTIONS: _____

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CHECK ISSUED BY: LBB

DATE ISSUED: _____

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Ed. Date: 10/9/98

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ENVIRONMENTAL CLAIMS

July 17, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
Zurich U.S.
Legal Services
3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy no.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82
Claim No.: 985-0027505 001 A1

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In your letter dated July 30, 1999, Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case. Enclosed please find the invoice dated May 10, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amount of $20,682.07 for services rendered for the month of April. Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has paid these invoices directly. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $20,682.07.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

John N. Galbavy
Corporate Counsel

JNG:csm
Enclosures

c: Michael B. White, Esq.
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TO: Laura
FROM: BB
DATE: 7/5/00

FILE NO.: 985.0027505-001
MASS LIT _____ POLLUTION _____
POLLUTION; PLEASE SPECIFY INSURED NAME/FILE CODE
COCA Mines

PAY KIND	1099 (Y/N)	AMOUNT TO PAY	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	CHECK NUMBER
35 ATY	N	$ 27,858.22	$	85-
37 MCE	N	$ ~~1,125.21~~ 1,012.72	$	85-
37 RPT		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-
		$ ~~30~~ 28,870.94	$ 34,302.04	85- 18917

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: Hecla Mining Company / John Colbrey, Esq.
ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive
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CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

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June 26, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
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Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy no.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82
Claim no.: 985-0027505 001 A1

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In your letter dated July 30, 1999, Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case. Enclosed please find the invoice dated June 12, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amount of $34,302.04 for services rendered for the month of May. Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has paid these invoices directly. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $34,302.04.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

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CoCa Mines

PAY KIND	1099 (Y/N)	AMOUNT TO PAY	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	CHECK NUMBER
35 ATY	N	$ 5520.96	$	85- 17554
37 MCE	N	$ 353.64	$	85- "
37 RPT		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-
		$ 5,874.60	$	85-

PAYEE: HECLA Mining Company

MAIL TO: HECLA Mining / John Galbavy Esq
ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive
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INVOICE#: 96166 INSTRUCTIONS (Y/N): _____
SERVICE DATES: 8/1/99 - 8/31/99
NATURE OF PAYMENT: legal fees expenses CoCa Mines
INSTRUCTIONS: _____

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UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82
Claim no.: 985-0027505 001 A1

Dear Mr. Edwards:

We appreciate receiving the 7 checks issued on June 1 (copies attached). Upon reviewing the checks and comparing them with the statements, we found that we still have not been reimbursed for defense costs of Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden, LLP incurred in the month of August 1999. Your check # 8500002328 listed the payment service dates June 2 1999 through August 31, 1999 in the amount of $10,444.37. However, this check is exactly the amount for invoices from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden for June and July 1999, and therefore, the August 1999 invoice remains unpaid. Enclosed is a summary of the actual invoice amounts with the amount you reimbursed Hecla.

The original letter and the invoice for the month of the August stated that payment was to paid directly to Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden (copy attached). We checked with Gresham Savage Nolan & Tilden, LLP to see if it might have been an oversight on Hecla's part. However, their office has informed us that the only payment received was made by Hecla. Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has paid these invoices directly. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $6,527.33 for the unpaid invoice from August 1999.

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Claim Number	Policy Number	Invoice Number	Tax ID	Date of Loss	Payment Service Dates
985-0027505 001 AI	SMP31501167	101135		12/24/80	03/01/00-03/31/00

Check Number	8500015880	Date Issued	06/01/00	Amount	$*14,289.08
Insured	COCA MINES INC				
Claimant	CACTUS GOLD SITE				
Nature of Payment	LEGAL FEES/EXPENSES - REIMBURSEMENT TO COCA MINES.				
Issued To	HECLA MINING COMPANY				
Requested By	BOLLING, LAURA				
File Supervisor	EDWARDS, BOB	Phone Number	410 366-1000		

Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID	Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID
POLLUTION - BI	12,878.64		
POLLUTION - BI	1,410.44		
TOTAL	$14,289.08		

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Claim Number	Date Issued	CHECK NO.
985-0027505 001 AI	06/01/00 VOID AFTER 11/28/00	8500015880

Amount: *FOURTEEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE AND 08/100 ——— DOLLARS*

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$*14,289.08

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Claim Number	Policy Number	Invoice Number	Tax ID	Date of Loss	Payment Service Dates
985-0027505 001 AI	SMP31501167	100439		12/24/80	02/02/00-02/29/00

Check Number	8500015879	Date Issued	06/01/00	Amount	$*15,939.03
Insured	COCA MINES INC				
Claimant	CACTUS GOLD SITE				
Nature of Payment	LEGAL FEES/EXPENSES - REIMBURSEMENT TO COCA MINES.				
Issued To	HECLA MINING COMPANY				
Requested By	BOLLING, LAURA				
File Supervisor	EDWARDS, BOB	Phone Number	410 366-1000		

Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID	Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID
POLLUTION - BI	8,389.71		
POLLUTION - BI	7,549.32		
TOTAL	$15,939.03		

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Claim Number	Date Issued	CHECK NO.
985-0027505 001 AI	06/01/00 VOID AFTER 11/28/00	8500015879

Amount: *FIFTEEN THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE AND 03/100 ------DOLLARS*

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Claim Number	Policy Number	Invoice Number	Tax ID	Date of Loss	Payment Service Dates
985-0027505 001 AI	SMP31501167	99884		12/24/80	01/03/00-01/31/00

Check Number	8500015878	Date Issued	06/01/00	Amount	$*23,139.56
Insured	COCA MINES INC				
Claimant	CACTUS GOLD SITE				
Nature of Payment	LEGAL FEES/EXPENSES - REIMBURSEMENT TO COCA MINES.				
Issued To	HECLA MINING COMPANY				
Requested By	BOLLING, LAURA				
File Supervisor	EDWARDS, BOB	Phone Number	410 366-1000		

Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID	Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID
POLLUTION - BI	18,160.88		
POLLUTION - BI	4,978.68		
TOTAL	$23,139.56		

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Claim Number	Date Issued	CHECK NO.
985-0027505 001 AI	06/01/00 VOID AFTER 11/28/00	8500015878

Amount: *TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED THIRTY NINE AND 56/100 ----DOLLARS*

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Claim Number	Policy Number	Invoice Number	Tax ID	Date of Loss	Payment Service Dates
985-0027505 001 AI	SMP31501167	99436		12/24/80	12/09/99-12/31/99

Check Number	8500015877	Date Issued	06/01/00	Amount	$*12,897.32
Insured	COCA MINES INC				
Claimant	CACTUS GOLD SITE				
Nature of Payment	LEGAL FEES/EXPENSES - REIMBURSEMENT TO COCA MINES.				
Issued To	HECLA MINING COMPANY				
Requested By	BOLLING, LAURA				
File Supervisor	EDWARDS, BOB	Phone Number	410 366-1000		

Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID	Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID
POLLUTION - BI	12,897.32		
TOTAL	$12,897.32		

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Claim Number	Date Issued	CHECK NO.
985-0027505 001 AI	06/01/00 VOID AFTER 11/28/00	8500015877

Amount: *TWELVE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN AND 32/100 ——DOLLARS*

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Claim Number	Policy Number	Invoice Number	Tax ID	Date of Loss	Payment Service Dates
985-0027505 001 AI	SMP31501167	98357		12/24/80	11/02/99-11/19/99

Check Number	8500015876	Date Issued	06/01/00	Amount	$**1,637.85
Insured	COCA MINES INC				
Claimant	CACTUS GOLD SITE				
Nature of Payment	LEGAL FEES/EXPENSES - REIMBURSEMENT TO COCA MINES.				
Issued To	HECLA MINING COMPANY				
Requested By	BOLLING, LAURA				
File Supervisor	EDWARDS, BOB	Phone Number	410 366-1000		

Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID	Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID
POLLUTION - BI	1,255.95		
POLLUTION - BI	381.90		
TOTAL	$1,637.85		

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Claim Number	Date Issued	CHECK NO.
985-0027505 001 AI	06/01/00 void after 11/28/00	8500015876

Amount: *ONE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN AND 85/100 ----------DOLLARS*

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Claim Number	Policy Number	Invoice Number	Tax ID	Date of Loss	Payment Service Dates
985-0027505 001 AI	SMP31501167	97727		12/24/80	10/01/99-10/27/99

Check Number	8500015875	Date Issued	06/01/00	Amount	$**7,010.36
Insured	COCA MINES INC				
Claimant	CACTUS GOLD SITE				
Nature of Payment	LEGAL FEES/EXPENSES - REIMBURSEMENT TO COCA MINES.				
Issued To	HECLA MINING COMPANY				
Requested By	BOLLING, LAURA				
File Supervisor	EDWARDS, BOB	Phone Number	410 366-1000		

Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID	Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID
POLLUTION - BI	5,138.55		
POLLUTION - BI	1,871.81		
TOTAL	$7,010.36		

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985-0027505 001 AI	06/01/00 VOID AFTER 11/28/00	8500015875

Amount: *SEVEN THOUSAND, TEN AND 36/100* ----------*DOLLARS*

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Claim Number	Policy Number	Invoice Number	Tax ID	Date of Loss	Payment Service Dates
985-0027505 001 AI	SMP31501167	96966		12/24/80	09/01/99-09/30/99

Check Number	8500015873	Date Issued	06/01/00	Amount	$**7,891.09
Insured	COCA MINES INC				
Claimant	CACTUS GOLD SITE				
Nature of Payment	LEGAL FEES/EXPENSES - REIMBURSEMENT TO COCA MINES.				
Issued To	HECLA MINING COMPANY				
Requested By	BOLLING, LAURA				
File Supervisor	EDWARDS, BOB	Phone Number	410 366-1000		

Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID	Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID
POLLUTION - BI	7,686.72		
POLLUTION - BI	204.37		
TOTAL	$7,891.09		

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Claim Number	Date Issued	CHECK NO.
985-0027505 001 AI	06/01/00 VOID AFTER 11/28/00	8500015873

Amount: *SEVEN THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY-ONE AND 09/100 ---------DOLLARS*

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Claim Number	Policy Number	Invoice Number	Tax ID	Date of Loss	Payment Service Dates
985-0027505 001 AI	SMP31501167	95653/96166		12/24/80	06/02/99-08/31/99

Check Number	8500002328	Date Issued	12/22/99	Amount	$*10,444.37
Insured	COCA MINES INC				
Claimant	CACTUS GOLD SITE				
Nature of Payment	LEGAL FEES/EXPENSES				
Issued To	HECLA MINING COMPANY				
Requested By	MAGAHA, KAREN				
File Supervisor	EDWARDS, BOB	Phone Number	410 366-1000		

Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID	Payment Description	AMOUNT PAID
POLLUTION - BI	9,959.08		
POLLUTION - BI	485.29		
TOTAL	$10,444.37		

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Claim Number	Date Issued	CHECK NO.
985-0027505 001 AI	12/22/99 Void after 06/19/00	8500002328

Amount: TEN THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR AND 37/100 ——— DOLLARS

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Invoice and Insurance Payments

DATE	INVOICED AMOUNT	INSURANCE CHECK AMOUNT	AMOUNT TO BE PAID MINUS 10%	OVER/UNDER (+/-)
June 2000				
May 2000				
April 2000	20,682.07			
March 2000	15,876.15	14,289.08	14,288.53	+$.55
February 2000	18,160.03	15,939.03	16,344.03	-$405.00
January 2000	25,710.62	23,139.56	23,139.56	
December 1999	14,134.33	12,897.32	12,720.90	+$176.42
November 1999	1,819.83	1,637.85	1,637.85	
October 1999	7,789.29	7,010.36	7,010.36	
September 1999	8,540.80	7,891.09	7,686.72	+$204.37
August 1999	6,134.40			
July 1999	4,012.76	10,444.37	10,444.37	
June 1999	6,431.61	(Jun-Jul)	(Jun-Jul)	
TOTAL	$129,291.89	$93,248.66	$93,272.32	-$23.66

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September 9, 1999

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Dear Mr. Edwards:

Enclosed is the August 1999 invoice for the insureds counsel in the above-captioned matter. Please remit the invoice amount of $6,527.33 directly to Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden.

Please contact me if you have any questions or if we need to further discuss this matter.

Very truly yours,

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DATE: May 26, 2000
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Dear Mr. Edwards:

This is the follow-up on the conversations you had with Duke Rouse of the Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden, LLP, in San Bernardino, California, who is representing the Insured in the Litigation. With respect to attorneys' fees, as you and Mr. Rouse discussed, his firm's fee schedule is very competitive and is in the middle range of law firms which handle cases of the size and type similar to the Litigation. This fact is supported by surveys done by Mr. Rouse's firm.

The Litigation is a large and complex toxic tort suit with claimed damages in the hundreds of millions of dollars. It is unfair and misleading to assume that such Litigation could be assigned to generalist personal injury attorneys at discounted rates. It is clear that Mr. Rouse and his firm are the right attorneys to handle this case and that their billing rates are appropriate for the Litigation and the locale.

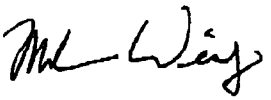
Demand was made for coverage of this suit on June 11, 1999. Coverage was agreed to on July 30, 1999. The Insured has been paying Mr. Rouse and his firm since the lawsuit was filed.

Large-scale discovery has taken place and significant litigation expenses have been incurred since coverage was accepted. It is extremely unfair and prejudicial to the Insured to ask now for a retro-active rate reduction.

In the face of these very serious concerns, but with the desire to resolve these issues and move on, the Insured is willing to agree to reimbursement from Zurich at 10% less than Gresham, Savage's normal billing rates. The Insured will, under extreme protest, pay the difference. This is a significant discount from the amounts already paid by the Insured for defense of this case.

Please call me if you would like to discuss these matters further.

Sincerely,



Mark Wielga

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cc: John N. Galbavy, Esq.
Duke D. Rouse, Esq.

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February 18, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
Zurich U.S.
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3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy no.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In your letter dated July 30, 1999, Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case (copy attached). To date, we have received only one check in the amount of $10,444.37 for the June and July invoices of our defense counsel, Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden. On September 9, 1999 I sent you a letter enclosing the August 1999 invoice and asking for reimbursement in the amount of $6,527.33 (copy attached). To date, we have not received reimbursement for this invoice.

Please also find enclosed the invoices of Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden for the months of September, October, November and December 1999, along with copies of checks showing that Hecla Mining Company has directly paid these invoices. Therefore, please reimburse Hecla a total of $38,418.65 for these invoices.

Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has decided to pay the Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden invoices directly then seek reimbursement from Zurich. However, by directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any and reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

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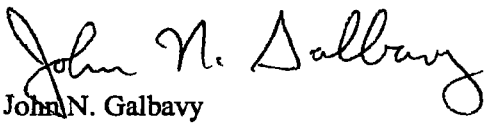
Please contact me if you have any questions or if we need to further discuss this matter.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY



John N. Galbavy
Corporate Counsel

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Enclosures

c: Michael B. White, Esq.
Mark Wielga, Esq.
Duke Rouse, Esq.

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September 9, 1999

Mr. Robert Edwards
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3910 Keswick Road
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Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
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UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Enclosed is the August 1999 invoice for the insureds counsel in the above-captioned matter. Please remit the invoice amount of $6,527.33 directly to Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden.

Please contact me if you have any questions or if we need to further discuss this matter.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

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Corporate Counsel

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Robert Edwards
Tel. (410) 338-1573
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July 30, 1999

Michael B. White
Hecla Mining Company
6500 Mineral Drive
Coeur d'Alene ID 83815-8788

RE: Matter: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company , Inc., et al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy Nos.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
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Dear Mr. White:

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Baltimore, Maryland
21211

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This letter will serve as a follow-up to my previous correspondence directed to your attention dated June 21, 1999. In addition, we received a complete copy of the above referenced complaint from Mark Wielga, an attorney at Dorsey & Whitney. Please be advised that we have located copies of documents which evidence the issuance of the above referenced policies to CoCa Mines for the periods referenced in the caption of this correspondence. Based upon our review of the documents which evidence the policies as well as the allegations in the complaint, please be advised that we will participate in the defense of CoCa Mines subject to a full and complete reservation of rights as delineated in this correspondence. In my review of the complaint, I note that there are several other defendants that have been named in this matter. I would appreciate an explanation as to what relationship these entities have with Hecla Mining Company. In addition, please explain the business relationship between Hecla Mining Company and CoCa Mines. Please be advised that we only have an obligation to participate in the defense of CoCa Mines and we do not have information which suggests or indicates that any of the other entities which may be part of Hecla were ever part of CoCa Mines or insureds under the above referenced policies.

In light of this fact, we anticipate that you have placed all of the insurers for Hecla Mining on notice of this matter as well as any other entity named as a defendant which Hecla Mining may have acquired over the years to seek their participation in the defense of this matter as well. I would appreciate your help and cooperation in terms of providing an insurance profile for the various entities if in fact they are associated with Hecla Mining. Please indicate what response, if any, you have had in connection with the tender of the defense of this matter with Hecla's other insurers.

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We understand that Greshum, Savage, Nolan & Tildon in San Berardino has been retained to evaluate this matter and prepare an answer. I would appreciate your help and cooperation in terms of providing me with the name of the partner responsible for this matter as well as his phone number and address so we may further discuss our participation in the defense of this matter. I would like to have the opportunity to discuss various administrative matters related to the defense such as hourly rates.

As a preliminary matter, please be advised that The Maryland will not pay for any legal fees incurred prior to the tender of this matter. In my review of the complaint, I note that this is a first amended complaint and was most likely served earlier this year. We will not be responsible for the legal fees incurred prior to June 11, 1999 which is the date of your correspondence advising The Maryland of this matter.

The primary Maryland policy above policy (SMP 31501167) contains General Liability Coverage Form MP 0093, edition 7-77. The insuring agreement provides:

> **SECTION II LIABILITY COVERAGE**
>
> **BODILY INJURY LIABILITY**
> **PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY**
>
> **1.** The Company will pay on behalf of the **insured** all sums which the **insured** shall become legally obligated to pay as damages because of
>
> > **bodily injury** or
> > **property damage**
>
> to which this insurance applies, caused by an **occurrence**, and arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of the **insured premises** and all operations necessary or incidental to the business of the **named insured** conducted at or from the **insured premises**, and the company shall have the right and duty to defend any suit against the **insured** seeking damages on account of such **bodily injury** or **property damage**, even if any of the allegations of the suit are groundless, false or fraudulent, and may make such investigation and settlement of any claim or suit as it deems expedient, but the company shall not be obligated to pay any claim or judgment or to defend any suit after the applicable limit of the company's liability has been exhausted by payment of judgments or settlements.

The Maryland policy defines "bodily injury", "property damage" and "occurrence" as follows:

> **"occurrence"** means an accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to conditions, which results in **bodily injury** or **property damage** neither expected nor

intended from the standpoint of the **insured**.

"Bodily injury" means bodily injury, sickness or disease sustained by any person which occurs during the policy period, including death at any time resulting therefrom.

"property damage" means (1) physical injury to or destruction of tangible property which occurs during the policy period, including the loss of use thereof at any time resulting therefrom, or (2) loss of use of tangible property which has not been physically injured or destroyed provided such loss of use is caused by an **occurrence** during the policy period.

The Maryland reserves the right to assert that the matters alleged and complained of in the above referenced complaint do not constitute claims for damages as contemplated by a general liability policy. Certain claims for injunctive relief, including prophylactic measures to prevent future pollution, clearly are not damages, and therefore, are not subject to coverage.

The Maryland also reserves the right to assert that it is a policy requirement that "bodily injury" and "property damage" transpire during the policy periods resulting from an "occurrence". To the extent that any alleged injuries and/or property damage transpired subsequent to The Maryland policy periods, coverage would not apply. Further, any such injuries must be the result of an "occurrence" as defined in the policy. The Maryland reserves the right to assert that any contamination in and around the site which is the subject of this litigation may not have been the result of an "occurrence".

The Maryland policies also contain various exclusions which may apply. Specifically, I call your attention to the pollution exclusion which is exclusion f. Exclusion f. states:

This insurance does not apply:

(f) to **bodily injury** or **property damage** arising out of the discharge, dispersal, release or escape of smoke, vapors, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, toxic chemicals, liquids or gases, waste materials or other irritants, contaminants or pollutants into or upon land, the atmosphere or other water course or body of water; but this exclusion does not apply if such discharge, dispersal, release or escape is sudden and accidental.

The Maryland reserves the right to assert that any contamination in and around the property was not the result of sudden and accidental releases of pollutants within the meaning of the exclusion. Accordingly, the pollution exclusion may bar coverage for all or part of the claims asserted in this matter.

The Maryland policy also contains an owned premises exclusion which bars coverage for any

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remediation which may be required in connection with property that may have been owned by CoCa Mines which may include part of the property where the operations were conducted. There may be various other policy terms, conditions and exclusions which may also serve to bar coverage. Specifically, The Maryland reserves the right to assert that it may not have been provided notice of this matter in accordance with the policy conditions. It appears that your company had notice of this lawsuit in February of 1999 and perhaps earlier depending upon when the initial complaint was filed. The Maryland reserves the right to assert that coverage does not apply because notice was not tendered on a timely basis.

Please be advised that The Maryland reserves the right to seek reimbursement of defenses costs incurred in this matter should it be determined that coverage does not apply.

Finally, please be advised that punitive damages are not subject to coverage.

The Maryland's reservations as delineated in this correspondence should not be deemed or construed as exhaustive listing of all policy terms, conditions and exclusions which may apply. The Maryland reserves the right to supplement our reservations should additional information, currently unknown to The Maryland be obtained at a later date. Should you have any questions about The Maryland's participation, please feel free to contact the undersigned at your earliest convenience. In the meantime, we look forward to receiving the information requested in this correspondence at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Robert Edwards
(410) 338-1573

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GRES100 GRESHAM S. E NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP Check No: 0110-059093

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Check date Dec 09, 1999		Total	14,675.20	0.00	14,675.20

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PLEASE DETACH BEFORE DEPOSITING

Hecla MINING COMPANY

HECLA MINING COMPANY
6500 MINERAL DRIVE
COEUR d' ALENE, ID 83814-8788

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DATE: Dec 09, 1999

CHECK NUMBER: 0110-059093

PAY EXACTLY: $14,675.20

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PAY TO THE ORDER OF

GRESHAM SAVAGE NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP
SUITE 300
600 NORTH ARROWHEAD AVENUE
SAN BERNARDINO CA 92401

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FIRST SECURITY BANK OF IDAHO
301 SHERMAN AVE.
COEUR d' ALENE, IDAHO 83814

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DATE: Dec 30, 1999

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DATE: Feb 17, 2000

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TO: Laura
FROM: Bob
DATE: 5/31/00

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COCA Mines

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PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: Hecla Mining Company / John Galbavy, Esq.
ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive
Box C 8000

CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

TAX ID: NA

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NATURE OF PAYMENT: legal fees / expenses reimbursed to CoCa Mines

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May 18, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
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Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy no.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In your letter dated July 30, 1999, Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case. Enclosed please find invoices dated April 13, 2000 and May 10, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amounts of $15,876.75 and $20,682.07, respectively for services rendered for the months of March and April 2000. Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has paid these invoices directly. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $36,558.82.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

John N. Galbavy
Corporate Counsel

JNG:tdh
Enclosures

c: Michael B. White, Esq.
Mark Wielga, Esq.
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CoCa Mines

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		$ ~~18,160.03~~ $15,939.03	$	85-

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

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UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In your letter dated July 30, 1999, Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case. Enclosed please find an invoice dated March 7, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amount of $18,160.03 for services rendered for the month of February 2000. Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has paid this invoice directly. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $18,160.03.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

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John N. Galbavy

John N. Galbavy
Corporate Counsel

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PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

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March 2, 2000

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UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In your letter dated July 30, 1999, Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case. Enclosed please find an invoice dated February 8, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amount of $25,710.62 for services rendered for the month of January 2000. Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has paid this invoice directly. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $25,710.62.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

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CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

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SERVICE DATES: 12/9/99 - 12/31/99

NATURE OF PAYMENT: legal fees / expenses

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TO: Laura
FROM: Bob
DATE: 5/31/00

FILE NO.: 985 - 0027505
MASS LIT _____ POLLUTION _____
POLLUTION: PLEASE SPECIFY INSURED NAME/FILE CODE
CoCa Mines

PAY KIND	1099 (Y/N)	AMOUNT TO PAY	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	CHECK NUMBER
35 ATY	N	$ 1255.95	$	85- 15876
37 MCE	N	$ 381.90	$	85- "
37 RPT		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-
		$ 1,637.85	$	85-

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: Hecla Mining Company / John Galbraith, Esq.
ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive Box C8000
BOX C 8000
CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815 - 8788
TAX ID: NA

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INVOICE#: 98357
INSTRUCTIONS (Y/N): _____
SERVICE DATES: 11/2/99 - 11/19/99
NATURE OF PAYMENT: legal fees / expenses
INSTRUCTIONS: _____

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TO: Laura
FROM: BJL
DATE: 5/31/00

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MASS LIT _____ POLLUTION _____
POLLUTION: PLEASE SPECIFY INSURED NAME/FILE CODE
CoCa Mines

PAY KIND	1099 (Y/N)	AMOUNT TO PAY	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	CHECK NUMBER
35 ATY	N	$ 5,138.55	$	85- 15875
37 MCE	N	$ 1871.81	$	85- "
37 RPT		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-
		$ 7,010.36	$	85-

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: Hecla Mining Company / John Colbary, Esq
ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive
Box C 8000

CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

TAX ID: NA

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INVOICE#: 97727

INSTRUCTIONS (Y/N): _____

SERVICE DATES: 10/1/99 - 10/27/99

NATURE OF PAYMENT: legal fees / expenses

INSTRUCTIONS: _____

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TO: Laura

FROM: BJL

DATE: 5/31/00

FILE NO.: 985 - 0027505

MASS LIT _____ POLLUTION _____

POLLUTION; PLEASE SPECIFY INSURED NAME/FILE CODE

CoCa Mines

PAY KIND	1099 (Y/N)	AMOUNT TO PAY	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	CHECK NUMBER
35 ATY	N	$ 7,686.72	$	85- 158 73
37 MCE	N	$ 204.37	$	85- "
37 RPT		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-
		$ 7,891.09	$	85-

PAYEE: Hecla Mining Company

MAIL TO: Hecla Mining Company / John Galbraith, Esq

ADDRESS: 6500 Mineral Drive
BOX C8000

CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

TAX ID: NA

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INVOICE#: 96966

INSTRUCTIONS (Y/N): _____

SERVICE DATES: 9/1/99 - 9/30/99

NATURE OF PAYMENT: legal fees/expenses reimbursed to CoCa Mines

INSTRUCTIONS: _____

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CLAIM #: 985 0027505 001 POLICY #: SMP 31501167 ACCIDENT DATE: 12/24/80
INSURED: COCA MINES INC. CLMNT: CACTUS GOLD SITE

VAL ID	CLM/EXP	STATUS	EXAMINER RESERVE	PAY KIND	AMOUNT	TPD-NET
PLLBI	CLM	OPEN	2,500.00	__ ___	_____	N
PLLBI	EXP	OPEN	.00	__ ___	_____	N

PAYEE: _____
_____
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ADDRESS: _____ LN2: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: __ ZIP: _____ CNTRY: USA
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TAX NUMBER: _____ 1099(Y/N): _ CHECK TOTAL: _____
INV/BID: _____ INST: N SERVICE DATES: MMDDYY - MMDDYY
NATURE OF PYMT: _____

ISSUED BY: __ STATUS DATE: MMDDYY STATUS: ____
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Bob,

Please raise reserves.

Thanks,
Ken

CHECK REQUEST

TO: Karen
FROM: R Edwards
DATE: 12/21/99

FILE NO.: 985 - 0027505
MASS LIT _____ POLLUTION _____
POLLUTION; PLEASE SPECIFY INSURED NAME/FILE CODE
CoCa Mines

Karen - please create financial file for CoCa Mines

PAY KIND	1099 (Y/N)	AMOUNT TO PAY	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	CHECK NUMBER
35 ATY	N	$ 995908	$	85-
37 MCE	N	$ 48529	$	85-
37 RPT		$	$	85-
		$	$	85-
		$ 1044437	$	85- 00002328

PAYEE: HECLA Mining Company

MAIL TO: HECLA Mining Company / John Golbury Esq.
ADDRESS: 6506 Mineral Dr

CITY: Coeur d'Alene STATE: Id ZIP: 83815-8788

TAX ID: _____ CHECK PRINT LOCATION/CIRCLE ONE
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INVOICE#: 95643/~~96166~~ INSTRUCTIONS (Y/N): _____

SERVICE DATES: 6/2/99 - 8/31/99

NATURE OF PAYMENT: Legal fees/expenses

INSTRUCTIONS: _____

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Hecla
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September 9, 1999

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Mr. Robert Edwards
Zurich U.S.
Legal Services
3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy no.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Enclosed is the August 1999 invoice for the insureds counsel in the above-captioned matter. Please remit the invoice amount of $6,527.33 directly to Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden.

Please contact me if you have any questions or if we need to further discuss this matter.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

John N. Galbavy
Corporate Counsel

JNG:tdh
Enclosures

c: Michael B. White, Esq.
Mark Wielga, Esq.
Duke Rouse, Esq.

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Dear Mr. Edwards:

This letter is a follow up to your letter dated July 30, 1999 to Michael B. White, Vice President & General Counsel of Hecla Mining Company regarding the above-referenced matter. In that letter Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case.

Please find enclosed the invoices of Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden ("GSN&T"), counsel for CoCa Mines, Inc./Hecla and affiliates, for the months of June and July of this year. Hecla has paid the June invoice so please reimburse Hecla for an amount of $6,431.61. Hecla has approved the July invoice (copy enclosed) and will remit payment of $4,012.76 directly to GSN&T. Therefore, please reimburse Hecla a total of $10,444.37 for these two invoices.

By tendering these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of other costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation. I presume from your letter that Zurich will be paying GSN&T's invoices on a going forward basis.

Please contact me if you have any questions or if we need to further discuss this matter.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy

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Corporate Counsel

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c: Michael B. White, Esq.
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ENDORSEMENT

EXCLUSION OF PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

It is agreed this policy does not apply to any error or omission, malpractice or mistake of a professional nature committed or alleged to have been committed by or on behalf of the Insured in the conduct of any of the Insured's business activities.

End. #1

The information contained below is required only when this endorsement is issued subsequent to preparation of the policy.

TRANS.	This endorsement forms a part of Policy No. UB11822059			Issued to						And is effective on and after		
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Part.	Rat'g.		State	Comm.	Branch Office	Agent						

State Code	C/R Code	Fire District

KIND OF BUSINESS	LINE	CODE	PREMIUMS ADDITIONAL	PREMIUMS RETURN
Bodily Injury			$	$
Property Damage			$	$
Collision			$	$
A. P. D.			$	$
Miscellaneous			$	$
		Totals	$	$
Net Additional or Return Premium			$	$

Nothing herein contained shall be held to vary, alter, waive or extend any of the terms, limits or conditions of the policy, except as herein set forth.

Authorized Representative.

ENDORSEMENT

PRODUCTS AND COMPLETED OPERATIONS EXCLUSION

It is agreed that this policy does not apply to Personal Injury or Property Damage included within the Completed Operations Hazard of the Products Hazard.

End. #2

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Part.	Rat'g.		State	Comm.	Branch Office	Agent						

State Code	C/R Code	Fire District

KIND OF BUSINESS	LINE	CODE	PREMIUMS ADDITIONAL	PREMIUMS RETURN
Bodily Injury			$	$
Property Damage			$	$
Collision			$	$
A. P. D.			$	$
Miscellaneous			$	$
		Totals	$	$
Net Additional or Return Premium			$	$

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Authorized Representative.

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ENDORSEMENT

PROPERTY DAMAGE - EXCLUSION

It is agreed this policy does not apply to damages because of property damage except insofar as coverage is provided by underlying insurance set forth and described in Item 1.6 of the Declarations.

End. #3

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						M-1	Q-2	S/A-3	A-4				
Part.	Rat'g.		State	Comm.	Branch Office	Agent							

State Code	C/R Code	Fire District

KIND OF BUSINESS			PREMIUMS	
	LINE	CODE	ADDITIONAL	RETURN
Bodily Injury			$	$
Property Damage			$	$
Collision			$	$
A. P. D.			$	$
Miscellaneous			$	$
		Totals	$	$
Net Additional or Return Premium			$	$

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Authorized Representative.

ENDORSEMENT

CONTRACTUAL LIABILITY EXCLUSION

It is agreed this policy does not apply to liability assumed by any Insured under any contract or agreement except insofar as coverage is provided by underlying insurance set forth and described in Item 1.6 of the Declarations. This exclusion does not apply to a warranty of fitness or qulity of the Insured's Products or a warranty that work completed by or on behalf of the Insured will be done in a workmanlike manner.

End. #4

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Part.	Rat'g.		State	Comm.	Branch Office	Agent						

State Code	C/R Code	Fire District

KIND OF BUSINESS	LINE	CODE	PREMIUMS ADDITIONAL	PREMIUMS RETURN
Bodily Injury			$	$
Property Damage			$	$
Collision			$	$
A. P. D.			$	$
Miscellaneous			$	$
		Totals	$	$
Net Additional or Return Premium			$	$

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Authorized Representative.

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E SONAL INJURY - EXCLUSION

It is agreed that this policy does not apply to liability for personal injury in connection with the operations and activities of the insured arising out of one or more of the following offenses:

(1) False arrest, detention or imprisonment or malicious prosecution.

(2) The publication or utterance of a libel or slander or of other defamatory or disparaging material, or a pualibcation or utterance in violation of an individual's right of privacy.

(3) Wrongful entry or eviction, or other invasion of the right of private occupancy.

(4) Discrimination, humiliation and mental anguish.

End. #5

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Part.	Rat'g.		State	Comm.	Branch Office	Agent						

State Code	C/R Code	Fire District

KIND OF BUSINESS	LINE	CODE	PREMIUMS ADDITIONAL	PREMIUMS RETURN
Bodily Injury			$	$
Property Damage			$	$
Collision			$	$
A. P. D.			$	$
Miscellaneous			$	$
		Totals	$	$
Net Additional or Return Premium			$	$

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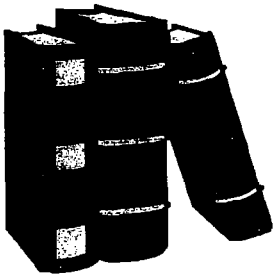

THANK YOU

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August 4, 2000

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AUG 7 2000
ENVIRONMENTAL CLAIMS

VIA EXPRESS MAIL
Robert Edwards
Zurich Insurance
3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

Re: *Creque v. Cactus Gold etc. et al.*

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In response to your voice mail, I have enclosed a Collective Matrix and Individual Damage Charges for the 48 Plaintiffs who we have previously deposed. Because we thought the other Plaintiffs were being dismissed, we have not yet taken their depositions.

Very truly yours,

Duke D. Rouse, of
GRESHAM, SAVAGE,
NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP

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Enclosure
cc: Michael White
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COLLECTIVE MATRIX OF INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHARTS

NAME	NEGLIGENCE	TRESPASS	NUISANCE	ULTRAHAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES	DAMAGES	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
	1. Duty 2. Breach 3. Cause in Fact 4. Proximate Cause 5. Damages	1. Unauthorized entry on land which; 2. Disrupts the owners exclusive right to possession.	1. Conduct which results in; 2. Substantial interference with the owners use and enjoyment of their property.	1. Activity necessarily involves a risk of serious harm; 2. Which cannot be eliminated by the exercise of the utmost care; 3. And it is not a matter of common usage.	1. Physical 2. Property 3. Loss of Income (Severity of Damages is Rated on a Scale from 1 [minimum] to 5 [maximum])	
Abrahamson, Stephanie	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No
Allen, Rikki L. (incomplete)	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No
Alviso, Vera	–	–	–	–	–	No
Arevalo, Israel	+	+	+	+	Physical (2)	No (minor)
Arevalo, Jose A.	+	+	+	+	Physical (1)	No (minor until 1/27/97)
Arevalo, Yesenia	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No (minor)
ven, Kathy	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	Yes
Bowen, Lee	–	–	–	–	Physical (2) Property (1) Loss of Income (2)	No
Cook, Geary	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No
Cook, Patricia	–	–	–	–	Property (1)	Yes
Dalton, Kathy	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No
Edmonds, Eric	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No (minor)
Edmonds, Heather	–	–	–	–	Physical (2) Loss of Income (1)	No (minor)
Edmonds, John	–	–	–	–	Physical (1) Loss of Income (1)	No (minor)
Edmonds, Shelley	–	–	–	–	Physical (2) Property (3)	No
Edmonds, Thomas	–	–	–	–	Physical (2) Property (1)	No
Ellis, Brian E.	–	–	–	–	Physical (1) Property (1)	No
Ellis, Brian M.	–	–	–	–	–	No
Ellis, Daniel D.	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No (minor)

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NAME	NEGLIGENCE	TRESPASS	NUISANCE	ULTRAHAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES	DAMAGES	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
	1. Duty 2. Breach 3. Cause in Fact 4. Proximate Cause 5. Damages	1. Unauthorized entry on land which; 2. Disrupts the owners exclusive right to possession.	1. Conduct which results in; 2. Substantial interference with the owners use and enjoyment of their property.	1. Activity necessarily involves a risk of serious harm; 2. Which cannot be eliminated by the exercise of the utmost care; 3. And it is not a matter of common usage.	1. Physical 2. Property 3. Loss of Income (Severity of Damages is Rated on a Scale from 1 [minimum] to 5 [maximum])	
Ellis, Pamela A.	–	–	–	–	Physical (2) Property (1)	Yes
Ellis, Rebecca	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No (minor)
Fisher, Amanda	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No (minor)
Fisher, Davina	+	+	+	+	Physical (2)	Workers Compensation / Yes
Fisher, Krystal	–	–	–	–	Physical (1) Loss of Income (1)	No (minor)
Fisher, Michael K.	+	+	+	+	Physical (2) Loss of Income (2)	Worker's Compensation / Yes
Fox, Nina	–	–	–	–		No
Hooper, James A.	–	–	–	–	Physical (1) Property (1) Loss of Income (1)	Yes
›per, Marlene F.	–	–	–	–	Physical (1) Property (1)	Yes
Hufford, Tara D.	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No (minor until 7/10/98)
Langaard, David	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No
Langaard, Mona	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No
Leavitt, Donald	–	–	–	–	Property (2)	No
Ness, Rusty D.	–	–	–	–	Physical (1) Property (1)	No
Popolizio, Deborah	–	–	–	–	Physical (1) Property (1)	Yes
Popolizio, Steve	–	–	–	–	Property (1)	No
Sanchez-Orsini, Julio	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	Maybe
Sanchez-Orsini, Mignonne	–	–	–	–	Property (1)	Maybe
Santiago, Phillip	–	–	–	–	–	Yes
Stidham, James	–	–	–	–	Property (1)	Maybe
Sullivan, Christine	–	–	–	–	Physical (1) Property (1)	No

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NAME	NEGLIGENCE	TRESPASS	NUISANCE	ULTRAHAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES	DAMAGES	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
	1. *Duty* 2. Breach 3. Cause in Fact 4. Proximate Cause 5. Damages	1. *Unauthorized* entry on land which; 2. Disrupts the owners exclusive right to possession.	1. *Conduct which* results in; 2. Substantial interference with the owners use and enjoyment of their property.	1. *Activity necessarily* involves a risk of serious harm; 2. Which cannot be eliminated by the exercise of the utmost care; 3. And it is not a matter of common usage.	1. Physical 2. Property 3. Loss of Income (Severity of Damages is Rated on a Scale from 1 [minimum] to 5 [maximum])	
Ward, Bonnie	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	Yes
Ward, Jeremiah	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No (minor)
Ward, John	+	+	+	+	Physical (1)	Yes
Ward, Joyce Marie	–	–	–	–	Physical (1) Property (1)	Yes
Ward, Meaghan	–	–	–	–	Physical (1)	No (minor)
Woody, Anna Belle	–	–	–	–	Physical (2)	Yes
Woody, Gwen	–	–	–	–	Physical (2) Loss of Income (2)	No
Woody, James Bryce	–	–	–	–	–	Yes

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STEPHANIE ABRAHAMSON
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
No fa[illegible]l basis for her claim. She states only that she believes the mine released some kind of toxic substance in the air and that it is affecting the people. (26:7-13) Her belief that the mine did anything wrong is further based on the comments of people in the community who say that the mine did something wrong. The deponent couldn't state with any specificity what these members of the community allege the mine to have done wrong. Do[illegible] has never told her that her physical problems were due to the mine activity. (18:11-19:11) Deponent produced no evidence showing that toxic substances produced by the mine were present on her property. Deponent never had the soil tested for any toxic materials. (54:11-22) Docto[illegible]ver told her the problem with her hand[illegible]lling was due to contact with toxic substances in the soil. (22:16-23:10)	Deponent claims that she has problems with her eyes and problems with her hands due to the mine's activities. (16:16-17:12) Deponent claims that her hands swell when they come in contact with the soil. (16:16-20) Doctors told her that her hand problems could be arthritis. (22:16-23:10) Deponent has incurred no medical expenses with respect to her injuries. (73:7-9)	Deponent is claiming no property damage due to the fact she rents her property. (40:6-7)	Not claiming any lost wages due to the mine's activity. (38:8-12)	The first person that spoke with Deponent about the nature of the mine's activity and their belief that the mine was contaminating the surrounding environment was George Creque. (48:14-49:3) Deponent stated that this communication occurred sometime after 1993, but that she could not recall for certain exactly when it occurred. (49:7-50:24)

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RIKKI L. ALLEN
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Son's great aunt, Carol Davis, took photographs of place "where the Cactus Mine dumped mercury in the ground and covered it up so OSHA wouldn't find out." ▪ Photos currently in Mrs. Davis' possession in New Mexico (9:3-10:21) ▪ Deponent hasn't seen pictures (13:5-8) ▪ Ms. Davis worked on the production line (14:3-7) Attributes physical illness to poisoning of the area by the mine with mercury and other unidentified chemicals that were improperly disposed of and got into ground, air and groundwater	Fatigue and headaches (24:10-14)	Had lease-option, never exercised, on Mohave property. Occupied, rent-free, Rosamond property owned by boyfriend's parents (18:7-19:7) ▪ Now lives in Rosamond with sister (17:19-18:4)	Didn't work from January to June/July of '99 because ill (24:3-11) ▪ Worked for George Creque	

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VERA ALVISO
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Kn... nothing about the lawsuit. Her husband signed her up with out her knowledge. (24:18-22) She didn't even realize she was a plaintiff until a few weeks before her deposition on January 7, 2000. (25:16-22) She has no understanding of the basis of the lawsuit or why one was filed. (26:1-14) Never had the soil tested for any toxic ('aminants. (29:6-15) Has absolutely no evidence that any activity of the mine caused toxic substances to invade her property.	Had their water well tested and the test came back negative for contaminants. (22:11-23:10) Deponent is not able to state the damages she is alleging as a result of the lawsuit. (36:7-12)	Had their water well tested and the test came back negative for contaminants. (22:11-23:10) Deponent is not able to state the damages she is alleging as a result of the lawsuit. (36:7-12)	Deponent is not claiming any loss of income because she has never worked. (17:9-13)	Deponent didn't know anything about the lawsuit at the time it was filed. She didn't realize that she was ever even a Plaintiff until a few weeks before her deposition on January 7, 2000. (25:16-22) Deponent has no basis of knowledge that the mine has done anything wrong. (26-1:7)

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ISRAEL AREVALO
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Deponent stated that he would hear explosions and see smoke from the mine coming to his property. (28:6-29:11) The cloud had a gaseous smell and would hurt when he breathed it in and when he breathed. No one has ever told him that his illness is the result of the mine activity. He just thinks that because the smoke from the mine used to come down and he used to br(it, that must be causing his physical problems. (37:15-40:13) Deponent believes that he did not start getting sick until the age of three. (42:8-12) However, he lived in the same place from birth until age eight. (42:16-21) He moved to his current residence at the age of eight.	Allergies, trouble breathing, headaches, dizziness. (15:18-24) These symptoms started approximately four years ago and the Deponent states that he has one, if not more, of these symptoms all day, most days. Deponent has been to a doctor for the allergies. (17:22-18:14) Doctors never told Deponent what he believes the cause of his allergies are. (23:20-24:3)	None	None	Minor

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JOSE AREVALO
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Deponent believes that his physical problems are related to the mine activity because a large cloud emitted from the mine would come to their property which was located less than one mile from the mine. (27:1-9) The cloud was a brown cloud so thick that you could not see through it. (30:18-25) Once the cloud reached the property, deponent stated that the air smelled like chemicals and that you could no[illegible] eath the air. It was like breathing pa[illegible] umes. (29:1-25) Deponent stated that he estimated that there were at least fifteen explosions at the mine every week and that these explosions created the subject cloud. Deponent had no idea what the cloud contained, and if it was chemicals, what chemicals they were. (29:1-25) No d[illegible]s ever told him his lung problems were [illegible]ed by anything the mine has done. (28:10-25) Deponent does not own his property. His parents are the actual owners of the property	Deponent has problems with his lungs and he saw a doctor for that problem. (15:8-24:1) Deponent did not produce any evidence as to the amount of his medical bills.	No property damage is being claimed in that deponent does not own his property. Deponent still lives with his parents who are the owners of the property.	Deponent stated that he never missed work because of his chest problem. (41:18-20).	Deponent did not turn 18 until January 27, 1997. Lawsuit was filed December 6, 1997.

YESENIA AREVALO
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Minor – 12 years old at time of deposition (6:1-2) Heard explosions at mine 1 year ago (6:22-7:1) Saw dust or smoke clouds when 5 years old (7:14-8:11) Parents told her headaches may be caused by mine; believes related to smoke "but they don't know." (11:8-19) No doctor has said problems are related to mine (11:5-16) Saw smoke only once; when 5 years old (11:20-25) No one other than parents ever told her mine responsible for illnesses (28:11-29:10) No testing on property (32:2-17)	Headaches, throat hurts, dizziness, eyes itch, allergies (8:14-16) Headaches (8:17-11:7) ▪ every morning for about ½ hour for last two years relieved with Advil for 2-3 hours ▪ never saw doctor for headaches Throat hurts (12:3-14:25) ▪ hurts about once a month, in front, under chin for 4 days ▪ saw doctor, but no opinion on cause ▪ sleeps with mouth open (30:22-31:6) Dizziness (15:12-17:15) ▪ dizzy every day when run or sits down; lasts a few minutes; usually in afternoon; for last year ▪ never saw doctor for problem Itchy eyes (19:17-21:1) ▪ no doctor or medication ▪ started last year ▪ parent say caused by mine, but not sure Allergies (23:24-27:15) ▪ eyes water, runny nose, sneezing ▪ occur mostly in summer; for last 3 years ▪ lasts 3-4 days; occurs every 3-4 days ▪ takes prescription medication			Hear dad tell mom that a man came to house with papers to fill out 2-3 years ago; saw man come in truck and drop off HDC&R forms (22:18-23:17

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KATHY BOWEN
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
The deponent believes that the Cactus Gold Mine operation may be responsible for her illness because her illnesses have progressed with nothing to cause that except for proximity to the mine and the materials around her in the environment. (58:22-59:7) Deponent has never been told by anyone that the physical problems she and her daughter suffer were caused by the operation of Cactus Gold Mine. (39:7-11) There is no evidence linking physical problems to Cactus Gold Mine activity. No tests have every been done on the property to see if it is contaminated with either cyanide or mercury. (47:2-48:5) There is no evidence linking her eczema with the activity conducted at the mine. (37:19-24)	Deponent has eczema. (32:10-13) The eczema problem began in 1988. (33:2-7) Her episodes of eczema are sporadic. (34:2-9) Deponent saw a doctor for her eczema problem. (34:10-20) Deponent also had Bowen's disease. It is a type of skin cancer. (37:19-22) Deponent had the skin cancer removed.	Husband purchased house in 1982 for $20,000.00. (29:10-12) There has been no appraisal on the house in the last five years. (29:5-20) Appraisal for property tax purposes was for $48,000.00. (29:24-26) Deponent had no idea when that appraisal was done. (29:26-30:1) No one has ever told her that their property has declined in value due to the Cactus Gold Mine. (30:5-12) No evidence the property has gone down because of Cactus Mine activity. Deponent gave no factual basis for the belief that the property value is affected by the activity of the Cactus Gold Mine. (30:13-31:7) Deponent believes that her property is worth less because of the activity of Cactus Gold Mine. (30:13-31:11)	Deponent is not claiming in loss of income as a result of the activity of Cactus Gold Mine. She has not been employed since 1994. (14:21-24)	Deponent has known about the cyanide wash at the gold mine since 1992. (24:22-25:6) Her husband told her in 1992 that they were not supposed to be using the cyanide wash procedure. (25:26-26:5) Deponent stated that she did not hear of anyone asserting that Cactus Mines was responsible for any damage until 1998 when George Creque mentioned it to her. (27:12-18) The first time deponent heard that people were asserting that the operation of Cactus Gold Mine was somehow affecting them was in 1998 when George Creque mentioned it to her. (28:13-29:6)

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LEE BOWEN
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
De[illegible]nt has no factual basis for believing Cactus Gold Mine is responsible for any of his damages. His only basis is that he doesn't know what they do and there have been other complaints regarding the mine activity and the effects, but he doesn't know specifically what the mine has done or if it has done anything that has caused him damage. (20:4-13) Deponent has no idea if devaluation in his p[illegible]erty is due to the overall real estate [illegible]et or some specific item that makes the property less valuable. (33:20-25) Deponent's only basis for believing his property is now worth less than it should be is what Deponent called a hazardous waste scare and the general devaluation of commercial property. People just don't want to purchase property in that area due to the fear of contamination. (17:1-3) No [illegible]r has ever said what caused his physical problems. (36:25-37:3) Deponent has never had his soil tested for contaminants. Deponent has had his well water tested and the tests have never revealed any contaminants.	Deponent has Barrett's esophagus problems. (35:4-12). This problem started in approximately April of 1997. Deponent has seen a doctor for his Barrett's esophagus problems. (35:13-14) Deponent estimates that he has spent approximately $10,000.00 in hospital bills treating his Barrett's esophagus problem. (41:17) Doctors have told him that he will need future medical care for his Barrett's esophagus problem.	Deponent purchased his property for $29,000.00 eighteen years ago. It was appraised in 1992 for $150,000.00. (15:15-19) Deponent's only basis for believing his property is now worth less than that is the hazardous waste scare and general devaluation of commercial property in the area. (17:1-3) Deponent has no idea how much his property is worth today.	Deponent claims loss of income of approximately $100,000.00. (37:19-20) Deponent operates his own machine shop which is located on the back part of his property. Deponent claims that his lost business was due to his Barrett's esophagus problem which caused him to have to turn away customers and caused him to be unable to finish work that he had already started. (39:6-15) His claim of lost income of $100,000.00 is just an estimate. He has no proof or way of determining other than his subjective belief. (37:21-38:7)	Deponent doesn't remember when he first spoke with anyone about the lawsuit. He didn't believe that any damages he may have incurred was due to the acts at the mine before filing the lawsuit. (26:9-13) Deponent remembers reading an article about the spill in 1988-89. At that time, he wanted to know if there was a connection between the spill and any damages to himself. (26:14-27:6)

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GEARY COOK
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Depo...nt has no idea what the mine has done wrong and could not even state an opinion as to what Cactus Mine might have done wrong. (38:22-39:7) His mother signed him up for the lawsuit. He did not know about it until he was contacted for his deposition. (39:8-25) It is only his opinion that Cactus Mine is doing something wrong. (40:1-8) De...ent has no specific knowledge of any ac...y the mine that resulted in damage to his health or his property. (41:1-12)	The deponent suffers from headaches, metal taste in mouth, frequent urination, insomnia, fatigue, mood swings, irritability, weakness, stomach pain, quick temper, probably indecision. (45:4-7) Deponent states that he experiences the majority of these symptoms even when he is away from his Rosamond property. (48:16-22) Deponent also suffered from a bleeding ulcer. (48:23-24) Deponent saw a doctor in relation to his bleeding ulcer. (49:2-10) The doctors did not tell him that the ulcer was related to the activity at the mine, they said it was possibly from bacteria. (49:11-13) Cost of treatment for the bleeding ulcer unknown.	No property damage, he rents from his mother. (24:15-24)	No loss of earnings claimed. (46:4-6)	No facts which would allow us to get deponent out on statute of limitations grounds. Deponent had no idea that he was even signed up for the lawsuit until he was contacted for his deposition. (39:8-25)

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PATRICIA COOK
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Depo[illegible]t knows of no specific facts tending to show Cactus Gold Mine Operation was responsible for any damage. The Deponent's concerns were general and unverified. (44:17-45:11) Deponent claims that Cactus Mine put some chemical in the ground that leached into the water and contaminated it. Her belief is based on what she read in the newspapers or what was told to her by Anna Belle Woody. (5[illegible]-55:12) Deponent never had her soil tested. She had her well tested when she bought the property in 1993 but doesn't remember the results. (50:13-52:14)	Deponent specifically states that she is not claiming anything or that the mine had specifically done anything to her. She does have some symptoms which may or may not be the result of contamination. (72:8-73:4) Never seen a doctor for any physical ailments. (73:5-8) No one has ever told her her physical problems are the result of activity at the mine.	Deponent had her property appraised on June 14, 1993. The property at that time appraised for $191,000.00. (59:9-21) No other appraisals have been done on the property since then. (59:22-24) Deponent believes property values have gone down due to the rumors of contamination. (65:16-66:15) Her main evidence that her property has gone down in value is the opinion of a lawyer in Rosamond who told her her house wasn't worth the $191,000 it was appraised for.	No loss of wages being claimed. (28:7-12)	Deponent became aware of problems with the mine very soon upon moving into their property in September of 1993. (39:23-40:15) In 1994, Deponent stated she began discussing potential problems at the mine with other neighbors. (42:2-43:17) Deponent was aware of the mercury spill in 1988 and had general discussions with Anna Belle Woody about the mine and the operations conducted at the mine. (54:8-55:12)

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KATHY DALTON
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Deponent's factual basis for believing that something done by the mine caused her physical problems is that ever since she moved to Rosamond she has just not quite felt right and with all of the rumors circulating about the contaminants in the air and water, she feels that there is something not right making her ill (29:22-30:12) The rumors were that the mine wasn't managed properly and the mine was dumping waste. This is the opinion of the general public. Doctors told her that her daughter's rash was due to toxins in the air and soil. (39:18-40:7) The doctors did not say the toxins were from the mining operation or what the toxins even were. Her daughters rash clears up when she goes away from Rosamond. (43:1-3) Deponent also read newspaper articles regarding the toxic environment caused by the mine. The article implicated other companies than Cactus Gold Mine.	Deponent has lost teeth and has general poor health. (65:23-66:12)	Deponent is not claiming any property damage. She rents her property. She does not own it. (15:7-12)	No loss of earnings claims. Her disability was not from the activity of the mine. (24:5-12)	There are no facts which would enable us to bring a motion for summary judgment based on statute of limitations with this deponent.

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ERIC EDMONDS
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
	Deponent suffers from nausea, headaches, mood swings, occasional nausea, diarrhea, fatigue and metallic taste in mouth. (15:20-16:1) Deponent has not sought any professional medical help for any of his physical symptoms. (19:21-21:9)	Deponent doesn't own any real property. Deponent owned three pigs which died. These pigs were purchased for $125.00 each. Deponent owned a show steer. He purchased it for $800.00 and sold it for $1,700.00 due to the fact that it wasn't gaining weight. It was sold for less than it would have otherwise. Deponent states that he believes that the steer could have been worth $5,000.00 to $6,000.00 had the steer not been so ill. (31:1-32:25) Deponent has no factual basis for linking the steer's problems to the mine. Deponent never found out what was wrong with the steer. He never took it to the veterinarian.	Deponent is claiming no lost wages. (11:5-7)	Deponent was a minor at the time this action was filed.

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HEATHER EDMONDS
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Deponent's factual basis for believing some activity of the mine was responsible for her injuries is that she didn't have any physical problems before she moved in with her father at their Rosamond address in 1995. (30:1-8)	She suffers from an ulcer, severe headaches and migraines. (27:17-22) Deponent went to see a doctor for these ailments in 1997 for the first time. Deponent had insurance at that time that covered the cost of the office visits. (29:3-11) Her symptoms lightened up when she moved to Texas. (32:12-23) No doctor has ever told her that the reason for the headaches is the activity at the Cactus Gold Mine. (39:18-25)	Deponent is not claiming any property damage because she does not own any property.	Deponent claims that she lost income from her injuries in 1996-97 while working at a dental office due to migraine headaches she believes are related to the activity at the Cactus Mine. (16:14-17:4) She lost approximately two to three weeks of work because of those migraines. (17:15-18)	Deponent was a minor at the time the cause of action arose.

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JOHN EDMONDS
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Dep[illegible]ent has no factual basis for believing that the mines operation caused any of his damages. (51:19-52:6) Deponent didn't know about the mine and the possible activity of the mine leading to damages suffered by the residence of the area until he had a conversation with Anna Belle Woody in early 1997. No one has ever told him that his animals died from contamination from Cactus Mine. No tests w[illegible] ever done on the deceased animals. ([illegible]-13) No evidence of why the animals died. (20:14-25) Deponent had three pigs. He had them slaughtered but then had to throw the meat away because it was rancid. (25:5-15) Deponent believes that his chickens died beca[illegible] of the mine because they died wit[illegible] any blood or feathers missing. He believes that the pigs died as a result of the mine's operation also because they seemed to die for no reason. (20:14-25) Deponent didn't have the pigs tested after they died to determine the cause of death. (2[illegible]:19-21) Deponent's dog has tumors. Deponent believes it is because his dog rolls in the dirt outside and that the dirt is contaminated. (31:18-32:5)	Deponent suffers from adult onset diabetes which he was diagnosed as having in 1995. (34:15-20) Deponent takes insulin for his diabetes. Deponent also has joint pain. (44:7-12) No one has ever told him that the diabetes or joint pain was connected to the mine. (44:13-18) Deponent also suffers from nose bleeds and wheezing. (74:21-25) Deponent also suffers from swelling of the ankles. (42:9-14) Doctors told him that the swelling of the ankles was possibly a result of his diabetes. (42:15-23)	Deponent's chickens died and 31 baby chickens died also. (19:15-26) No one ever told him why the animals died and no tests were ever done on them. (20:6-13) Deponent had three pigs which died "mysteriously" according to the deponent. Deponent didn't have the pigs tested after they died. (28:19-21) Deponent purchased the property in 1995 for $58,000. (48:16-19) In 1996 he paid $48,000 for a prefabricated house that was to be situated upon the real property he had previously purchased. (49:9-10) In 1996 the house and the property together were appraised for $107,000. (49:25-26) In 1998 the house was reappraised for $78,000. (50:23-26) The reason for the decrease in value of the land is the general economic condition in the area according to the Deponent. (59:11-13) No one has ever told him, and he has no factual basis for believing, that the mine's operation caused the decrease in his property value. (51:19-52:6) His only reason for believing that his property value decreased is because of the word of mouth of people in the area that think the neighborhood is contaminated.	Doesn't appear that the deponent is claiming any lost income as a result of the activity of the Cactus Mine causing him physical ailments that prevent him from working. Out of all the physical ailments that Deponent suffers from, he only believes that the joint pain had some connection to the operation of the mine. (44:7-12) It doesn't appear that the Deponent lost any income as a result of his joint pain. Deponent believes that the joint pain must be connected to the operation of the mine because he didn't physically injure his joints and that is the only thing that it could be. (44:7-12)	Deponent didn't have any conversations or knowledge regarding the mine's activities until a discussion with Anna Belle Woody concerning the lawsuit in late 1997. (12:24-13:9)

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SHELLEY EDMONDS
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Dep. ..nt's factual basis for bringing her claim is that the has more physical problems now than when she lived in Rosamond. (34:6-13) She also believes that her problems are the result of contamination from the mine because her property values have dropped and her animals die for no apparent reason. (34:14-24) She believes her headaches are attributable t .: mine's activity because headaches are a major symptom of mercury poisoning. (48:4-8) She believes that all of her symptoms are caused by the spill at the mine in the late '80s. (46:9-21) Deponent believes that this contamination reached her property because of the wind blowi.. the particles and from the water dra . (47:21-48:9) Anna Belle Woody told her that the test revealed mercury in her soil. (17:23-18:11)	Deponent suffers from inattentiveness, headaches, bloody noses. Deponent has never seen a doctor for any of these physical symptoms. (49:15-51:10) The headaches are getting worse over time. She has consulted three doctors for her headache symptoms. (36:22-25) No doctor has ever told her what the cause of her headaches were. (38:1-10) Deponent is taking pain killers for her headaches. (43:18-25) Deponent believes her headaches are attributable to the mine's activity because headaches are a major symptom of mercury poisoning. (45:4-8) She had soil testing on her property by Pat Chiodo of Hollywood Damage Control. (14:8-25)	Her property was appraised in 1996 for $107,000 and in 1998 for $78,000. Because there house didn't appraise for enough, they were turned down for a 6.9% loan from Sanwa Bank and could only get a second from another bank at 14%. (61:10-63:7) She had two pigs that died. The value she believes is up to $15,000 a piece. (65:4-8) She did nothing to determine how the pigs died but she believes that they died because of the mine's activity.	Deponent does not claim damages from loss of income. (24:8-12)	The first time deponent became aware of the possible mercury contamination that is claimed by the residents to be causing damages to the people in the neighborhood was 1998 when Anna Belle Woody asked if she would like Hollywood Recovery and Damage Control to test their soil. (16:1-14)

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THOMAS EDMONDS
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Dep[illegible]nt's only factual for believing his physical ailments were related to the activity of the mine was that his ailments were unexplained and that he heard the mine was burning mercury and therefore they may be related. (25:16-26:10) Deponent remembers seeing a video on a mercury spill at the Cactus Mine. (26:5-13) No one ever told him that his physical problems were connected to the activity at [illegible] mine. (29:9-13) He believes that his physical ailments are related to the activity of the mine because his symptoms, and the cause of those symptoms, are unexplained. (29:13-18) Deponent had his soil tested and was told there levels of mercury in the soil and swamp cooler. (30:13-31:2) Hov[illegible], deponent got the impression that the [illegible]s of mercury weren't very high. (38:15-22)	Deponent had a rash and a lump under his skin. (20:24-22:23) No doctor ever told him that his physical problems were connected to the activity at the mine. (29:9-13)	Deponent believes that his property value has gone down. He has no factual basis except that his brother's property has declined in value. Deponent has had no appraisal on his property. Deponent has no factual basis for his belief that his property value has gone down. If his property has in fact gone down, Deponent has no factual basis for believing that Cactus Mine had anything to do with the decrease in his property's value.	Deponent is not claiming any loss of income from the activity at the Cactus Gold Mine.	There is no evidence available to bring a summary judgment motion against this deponent on statute of limitations grounds.

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BRIAN E. ELLIS
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Never had physical ailments before moved to property (80:19-81:6) Ingrown toenail ▪ doctors unsure whether attributable to some chemical (55:21-56:8) Rash ▪ video showed chemicals in air and soil; wind blows; mercury and cyanide can't be good for you (64:22-66:5)	Aches, pains, soreness (40:20-48:15) ▪ Soreness began 1992/93 (41:13-42:1) ▪ Elbows, fingers, wrists, back ▪ Never to doctor (42:14-19) ▪ spoke with doctor (50:11-52:7) Stomach pain (48:16-52:10) ▪ never saw doctor (50:3-50:10) Frequent diarrhea (52:14-53:18) ▪ no doctor (53:6-18) Ingrown toenail (55:7-59:22) ▪ big toe left foot, nail removed. Skin irritation (60:18-67:15) ▪ red, itchy bumps on arms and hands, ankles, feet. Stomach wherever clothes rub. Believes from contaminated soil. Metallic taste (67:12-67:25) Headaches (67:24-68:25) ▪ no doctor (68:22-23) ▪ occur when around house Nausea (69:1-69:4)	No property damage (71:14-71:20). Doesn't own property or trees (71:14-24). Trees dying (71:21-73:4) ▪ Italian Cypress and Leland Cypress – 25 out of 50 trees dead. Fruit trees died prior to moving in. Dogs (73:5-79:15) ▪ epileptic seizures – wife took to vet (wife said never took dogs to vet) ▪ biting and itching feet – irritation Parakeet (79:16-80:2) bites feet, in house, others died after one year.		Talked to Woody less than 1 year ago (32:3-32:17)
Tijuana dentist attributes dental problems to minerals or chemicals in water (95:22-96:23)	Dental problems (87:3-100:20) ▪ brittle, crumbling, loss of enamel, cavities; sharp pain in ears when open jaw ▪ Tijuana dentist attributes dental problems to minerals or chemicals in water (95:22-96:23)			

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ELLIS, BRIAN MICHAEL
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Date of Birth 7/17/78 (6:5-6:6) Incarcerated at Ventura Youth Correctional Facility in Camarillo, California since 10/15/96 (7:11-13) Incarcerated at Fred Nellis in Whittier from 9/74 [?] to 4/96 then Paso Robles for 6 months and Northern Reception Clinic in Sacramento between Paso Robles and Ventura (7:14-8:21) First learned he was a plaintiff in lawsuit when parents told him about 2 months ago. ▪ Parents signed him up (8:22-9:7) Mother answered discovery _____ spoke with her about his time in Mojave; unclear whether signed verification (9:8-11:5) Lived in Mojave 2-3 years (11:6-11:22)	Went to hospital for alcohol poisoning; told nothing wrong by doctors. ▪ Speculates about allergies and headaches (17:8-18:9) Developed rashes from swimming in water ponds at asphalt plant ▪ "Everyone" swam in those ponds and got rashes (19:10-20:4) Only knew mine was out there and never visited it (20:23-21:8) Never heard about illness from mercury contamination until parents mentioned it. Never took it seriously (26:22-27:16)			

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DANIEL D. ELLIS
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Road ATC onto mine property in Summer '97 (31:16-32:6) One of the quarries had "whitish orange foam in the bottom" (32:17-37:21) ▪ Like a fungus ▪ Deponent color blind (35:24-36:12) (37:22-38:8)				Minor ▪ Born 8/9/80 ▪ Presently 19 years old
No other factual basis for claim (45:12-45:24) Saw newspaper article, but didn't read it (60:22-64:13) Dewey Pest Control tested property Summer '98 (65:20-66:6) Discussed lawsuit with Eric Edmonds whose dad "watched it all happen." (75:6-76:5) [illegible] symptoms of ailments – "no proof" caused by mine, "but there's a big possibility" (77:19-77:23) Dr. Thompson of High Desert Medical Center said rashes could have been caused by activities at mine. (77:24-79:16) Dr. said rashes can come from anything (81:25-82:10)	Rashes (79:16-83:10) ▪ Swollen red welts like hives, lasted for one week in November 1999 Headaches (83:11-85:3) Cough (85:8-86:1) ▪ Smokes 1½ packs of cigarettes for 5 years Difficulty breathing (86:2-86:25) ▪ Diagnosed with bronchial asthma 5 years ago Chest pains (87:1-88:7) ▪ 2 to 3 times per week; EKG normal about 1 year ago Mood swings / quick temper (88:21-88:18) Nose bleeds (89:18-89:7) ▪ Couple of times per week Forgetfulness (90:8-91:18) ▪ Forgets what girlfriend says ▪ Problem for 4 years Indecision (91:19-91:24) ▪ Same as forgetfulness Eye irritation (91:25-93:10)			

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PAMELA A. ELLIS
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
(41:19-42:9) Summer of '96 trees and shrubs dying – pest control people come out, take a soil sample and say "soil is bad." No testing done (45:12-46:14) Video shown by Anna Belle Woody (124:5-125:3) Newspaper clippings (126:5-126:20)		Oleanders (28:19-22) alive in spring/summer '94 / '95 (29:15-17) "before" the incident (29:18-30:8). Dead in approximately spring '98. Evergreens and cypress trees also alive in '94 or '95 (33:19-35:1). Dead 3 years ago (summer '96) (40:16-41:24)		(41:19-42:9) Summer of '96 trees and shrubs dying – pest control people come out, take a soil sample and say "soil is bad." No testing done (45:12-46:14) Annabelle came to house to discuss lawsuit in Summer of '93-'94 (53:14-57:3).
	Headaches (62:9-18) (68:17-72:4) started appearing in 1994 Runny nose Tumor on ovaries (75:3-75:19); not cancerous (75:3-75:11) Bad cough Emotional Irregular periods Teeth deteriorating (80:7-80:25) Discharge from breasts (75:3-79:23)			Went to doctor for medical problems 4-5 years ago (73:3-74:4). Anna Belle Woody – 1994 (89:13-90:17) when symptoms noted could be result of mine.
Believes well-water contaminated by mine (150:25-151:13) No testing (155:4-155:18)	Tumor on ovaries ▪ prescribed birth control pills to dissolve it ▪ Plaintiff never took them (83:18-85:20) Runny nose/post nasal drip (85:21-86:17) Cough ▪ heavy cigarette smoker (86:18-88:7) Saliva (88:8-89:7) (90:20-90:23) Rash (90:24-94:9) ▪ appear on uncovered skin when ride ATVs and clear up with hand lotion and water			Believes well-water contaminated by mine (150:25-151:13) No testing (155:4-155:18)

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FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
	▪ *daughter a little longer because sensitive skin (92:9-93:11)*			
	Muddled thinking (94:11-96:9) ▪ started 1994, comes and goes, more severe when "stressed" Mood swings (96:10-96:18) and slurred words Frequent urination (96:19-97:6) ▪ started 1996 Metallic taste (97:7-98:17) Difficulty breathing (98:18-99:12) Insomnia (101:1-102:4) ▪ take over the counter sleeping pills Fatigue (102-104:1) Nosebleeds (104:9-104:25) ▪ 4 since 1994 Chest pains (105:6-106:10) Breast discharge (106:14-107:2) Teeth (107:3-110:18)	Chihuahuas – (4 dogs) and Shady (big dog) problems with paws (128:12-130:17) (150:21-24)		

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REBECCA ELLIS
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
;alth problems with no idea of cause (10:20-11:3) No rashes when visiting in Arizona (19:10-23) Tijuana dentist says problems related to contaminated well water (25:20-26:14) Tested for hypoglycemia and diabetes – testing inconclusive (37:23-38:18)	Stomach problems (11:18-19:5) ▪ Began 5 years ago / occurs 3 times per week ▪ Treated by physician / thought cause was mental ▪ Vomit for no reason / medication didn't help ▪ Began 6 years ago; continues today (66:16-25; 67:9-14) No mental problems (17:3-5) ▪ Doctor suggested psychologist for family problem. Doctor thought may be cause of vomiting (77:4-78:24) Rashes (19:6-21:7) ▪ Began 6 years ago; continues today (67:1-8) ▪ Rashes on hands and arms, neck and legs ▪ Blotchy bumps that come and go for past few years Dizziness (21:25-23:7) began 6 years ago; continues today (67:15-22) ▪ Light headed when stands up Weakness (23:8-23:19) ▪ Began 6 years ago; continues today (68:2-10) ▪ Connected to dizziness Dental problems (23:20-29:2) ▪ Tijuana dentist attributes to contaminated well water ▪ Began 6 years ago; continues today	None (8:22-8:25)		Born 2/11/83 (5:14-15) Filled out Anna Belle's questionnaire in 1998 (9:22-10:12)

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FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
	(68:11-15) Diarrhea ▪ Began 6 years ago (68:21-23) Headaches (29:3-31:12) ▪ Began 6 years ago (68:24-69:1) ▪ Migraines – took medication, now only occasional aspirin or Ibuprofen Aches and pains (31:13-37:13) ▪ Began 4 years ago (69:2-5) ▪ Back pain around spine and back of legs at knee area (left leg more than right) ▪ Hands get tense – lock up; knuckles throb ▪ Never discussed with doctor Respiratory and sinus problems (40:18-42:7) ▪ Treated with antibiotics ▪ Began 6 years ago (69:7-11)			
Other than info received from attorneys and Anna Belle Woody, no other basis for believing mine responsible for physical problems (45:8-20) Doctor felt family problems may be cause of vomiting and stomach problems (77:4-78:24) (13:7-14:24)	Muddled thinking / short-term memory loss (69:24-72:5) ▪ Began 6 years ago; continues today ▪ Mentioned to physician but never followed through with tests Irritability (72:6-73:3)			

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AMANDA FISHER
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
.o factual basis.	Stomach pain. (11:18-12:4) Hives. (16:1-18) Trouble sleeping. (16:19-23)	No property damage.	No loss of income.	No statute of limitations (deponent is a minor).

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DAVINA FISHER
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Deponent began working at Cactus Gold Mine in 1991. (24:11-13) Deponent's duties included being on the heap pile, rolling up the hoses that dripped cyanide solution. (25:7-20) Deponent's factual basis for believing that Cactus Gold Mine is the source of her family's physical problems is that when the mine blasted it would kick up a large cloud of dust which would be carried away by the wind and the deponent believes that that dust contained quantifiable amounts of mercury which contaminated the environment around and caused the population to be sick. (57:7-58:14) Blood test done at Freemont Medical right after last depo: ▪ showed no mercury or arsenic, but showed cyanide – doctors attributed to smoking (134:17-135:6) ▪ feels better *about risk of exposure* but not totally assured (135:23-138:24) Smoked for 15-20 years; 1½ packs a day until 6 months ago (141:24-142:17) Believes Amanda was exposed to mercury in the air when she moved back to Rosamond from Ivanhoe around Thanksgiving/Christmas of 1993. Her behavior changed and it was noticeable at the end of the school year 1994 (144:23-149:8) ▪ no one has ever told her Amanda's problems were due to mercury exposure; no medical evidence (149:2-8) While working at the mine, Deponent didn't	Deponent suffered from allergies (87:1-6), rashes and hives (89:15-19). She had a lymph node removed. (93:1-94:5) She had breast tissue removed. (94:8-25) She never sought medical attention for her rashes and hives. (90:15-16) No one ever told her the lymph node of the breast tissue that were removed were damaged because of the activity at the mine. (94:19-21) Female problems began while working at mine (130:11-16) ▪ went on disability in April 1992 (132:8-10) ▪ emergency hysterectomy after April 1992 (131:1-132:23) ▪ diagnosed with pelvic inflammatory disease (133:12-21) - large cyst on left ovary ▪ believes caused by exposure at the mine but never told that by health professional (134:9-16) Rash (171:21-177:7) ▪ first appeared when working at mine (171:21-172:2) ▪ doctor believed silica used in operation was causing the rash (172:8-173:10 (175:19-176:21) ▪ today still breaks out in rash but not around silica so believes arsenic or mercury the cause (173:18-25) ▪ rash went away when moved from	Deponent is not claiming any property damage as a result of the activities of Cactus Gold Mine. Deponent did not own any property when she was living in Rosamond. (45:10-12)	Deponent is not claiming any lost income due to the activities of the mine. (22:24-23:2) She did have loss of income when she was on disability when she was working at the mine. She had an ovarian cyst. (36:8-15) She believes it was due to her exposure to mercury, cyanide, arsenic and other hazardous chemicals. (36:21-23) No health care professional ever told her that the ovarian cyst was a result of her exposure to hazardous chemicals. (37:7-21)	Deponent discussed the issues with Anna Belle Woody sometime between June 1996 and January 1997. (73:11-74:7) Her husband, Michael Fisher, tested positive for mercury in the early 1990's. (96:7-8) Deponent began working at the Cactus Gold Mine in 1991. (24:11-13) Deponent first put together the connection between the mine's activity and her family's injuries when her husband got sick in Georgia. (38:5-22) Deponent and her family moved back from Georgia to Henderson, Nevada in the middle of June, 1996. (73:17-25) Began working at mine in February 1991 (124:10-13) Moved to Rosamond in 1990 (124:14-17) Was on disability in April 1992 (130:20-25) First determined Amanda's problems were related to exposure when Michael became sick and they moved to Nevada (151:1-152:9) When Michael had his first stroke in February 1996, "Nina" told Michael's doctor he might have been exposed to mercury. Deponent heard conversation (166:13-168:5) ▪ brain biopsy performed on Michael and mercury exposure was "mentioned" but doctor said it was "farfetched" (168:6-169:9) ▪ didn't actually believe mercury was the cause until read info provided by Anna Belle in late 1997 (169:14-170:11)

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FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
believe she was being exposed to mercury, but now she believes she was exposed to mercury at work at the mine and that the ne has released mercury in the air that contaminates the entire area (147:23-160:20) ▪ mine disturbed the ground and the mercury blew in dust travelling through the air (160:21-161:4) Deponent believes she was also exposed to arsenic and cyanide; arsenic can also cause rash, hives and allergies; and arsenic naturally is present in the soil (170:22-171:20) No one ever told deponent worsening of allergies was due to arsenic, mercury, silica, or anything in particular (178:8-12) Doctor said cyanide in blood test due to smoking (179:15-180:5) Blood test didn't show presence of arsenic (180:6-8) ponent smoked and had one or two nks during Amanda's pregnancy (180:9-17) No testing of Nina's trailer home where deponent resided in Rosamond (180:25-181:11) Deponent believes she was exposed to mercury dust in her house trailer and not just at the mine (182:14-184:3) but no info that dust at trailer came from mine No mercury shows in blood but attributes present rash to mercury because it's the same type of rash (184:13-186:19)	pulverizing department, but came back much later when deponent went to Georgia in 1995 or 1996 (175:9-18) 176:22-177:8) Allergies (177:8-178:12) ▪ deponent had asthma and hay fever as a child (177:23-178:4) ▪ allergies have become increasingly worse (177:13-178:12) Rash comes and goes presently; and hives are worsening and occur more frequently (178:13-16)			▪ after deponent moved from house on Barrett to house on Holick (170:13-21)

KRYSTAL FISHER
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Deponent stated that she is not sure that her physical problems have anything to do with the activity of the mine but that she did go to the mine site as a child and she believes she was exposed to mercury and cyanide there. (24:23-25:13) Deponent visited the mine and cyanide ponds as a child. (33:4-34:24) She went to the cyanide ponds once a month while her father worked at the mine. (35:9-14) Deponent has no specific factual basis for believing that the activities at the Cactus Gold Mine have contaminated the surrounding area or been the cause of the physical problems of her and her family.	Deponent has allergies, chest pains, headaches, bronchitis, upper respiratory infections, mood swings, fatigue, irritation, forgetfulness. (40:7-13) No doctor has ever told her that her physical problems stem from activity of the mine. (44:7-10) Her symptoms did not get any better when she moved away from Rosamond. (44:3-6; 45:15-17; 48:10-13; 52:15-17; 55:5-7) Deponent's concern about the mine's effect leads the deponent not to have children for fear that they will have problems. (60:8-61:4)		Claims to have lost ten days of work due to bronchitis in July of 1999. (22:6-14) Doctors didn't tell her what caused her bronchitis. (23:25-24:2) Deponent stated that she is not sure that her bronchitis has anything to do with the activities of the mine but that she went to the mine as a child and was exposed to the mercury and cyanide. (24:23-25:13) No doctors ever told deponent that there was any relationship between the mine and her health problems. It was only a connection that she drew in her own mind. (25:14-20)	Deponent was a minor at the time this lawsuit was filed.

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MICHAEL K. FISHER
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
...ining operations shut down in May '92 (35:2-8) Checked houses of employees to see if they were taking home mercury on their clothing (45:24-49:16) ▪ negative results at his own home. ▪ mechanic found fan out of balance because to much mercury on it (49:17-50:21) ▪ not remedied until retort installed in '89, 6 months later (50:25-51:17) ▪ besides fan issue, no improper conduct resulted in release of liquid or vapor mercury (52:1-55:25) ▪ scrap and contaminated materials were returned to heap leach to extract the mercury so could put through retort oven (62:21-63:13) ...gan working at Cactus Gold Mine with ICC in summer 1988 (105:9-15) Hired by Cactus Gold Mine before Christmas of '88 (105:25-106:10) Only well water used was at house in Tehachapi in late 1970's and it tested fine (120:5-13) Lived in Tehachapi entire time worked at mine (126:17-25) Learned Cinnabar in its undisturbed state has no effect on a person's health (132:18-133:4) Safety coordinator for mine from December 1988 to April 1992 (145:24-146:2) Tested home in Tehachapi for mercury once in May 1989 and no reading of mercury was	Had series of strokes in 1996 (31:21-25) Declared disabled by Social Security Administration (32:1-5) Never filed workers compensation claim (32:10-15) Broke neck in motor cycle accident in 1980 (69:8-21) Broke neck in motorcycle accident in May 1980 (102:7-104:2) Smokes pipe everyday for last 35 years (116:4-17) Drank beer and wine until 1996 (116:18-23) Aside from stroke, no other health problems attributed to mine (167:24-169:2) Deponent believes strokes were caused by mercury exposure but only Dr. Soli concurs (169:3-171:16) Dr. Soli wrote report confirming mercury exposure – Bates stamped #002040 (171:17-174:21) Deponent believes effect of strokes is permanent (183:9-187:5) ▪ difficulty forming sentences ▪ paralysis ▪ memory loss ▪ continuing small strokes (TIAs) No fear of later physical problems (192:16-193:1)	Never owned property in Rosamond or Mojave (32:19-33:1)	Claims lost over $30,000 per year job and now on disability at $1,700 per month (non-taxable) (203:3-16)	Lived in Mojave prior to 1994. Moved to Ivanhoe, California in 1992; Georgia in 1994; Nevada in 1996; Riverside in 1999 (9:3-10:25) Worked for the mine from December '88 to May '92 (18:4-22:4) ▪ worked as Safety Supervisor Workers Compensation ▪ Injury was due to mercury poisoning received during course of employment (37:5-38:11)

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FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
indicated (159:23-161:17) Tested other homes for approximately 1 ek (161:18-164:1) Blood not tested while employed at mine (164:12-18) Urine tests performed on employees (164:24-166:16) Dr. Soli performed urinalysis, blood work and tested with an "electrical device" and deponent received chelation therapy (174:22-178:10) Soli's report states mercury levels not so high as to assume symptoms would be associated with them (179:3-183:7) Believes greater exposure resulted while employed at mine than when lived in Mojave (195:22-196:4)				

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NINA FOX
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
...er belief as to the activity at the mine being related to her family's injuries was that there was a lot of dust in the air and when outside working in the garden she would get rashes on her hands. (24:17-25:1) She had no idea where the dust was coming from. (25:22-26:4) She stated that everybody was bitching about the dust and that it was hard to breathe after the mine would blast. Deponent would cough all of a sudden when she would go to the mine site. (58:25-59:8) No one has ever told her that the dust from the mine could allow for dermal exposure to mercury. (72:2-5)	Deponent got sick in 1990 or 1991. (17:4-15) In 1990 and 1991, deponent developed symptoms which included prolonged lethargy, rashes, and a constant cough. (17:4-15) She saw a doctor for her illness. (17:22-18:6) The doctor couldn't tell her what was causing her illness. (19:9-13) The condition lasted for approximately four years. (19:25-20:2) When she moved from Rosamond, her condition cleared up. (20:19-24) When she was sick she would cough so hard that she would break her ribs. (23:15-23) No one ever said that her problems were related to the mine. (24:13-16)	Deponent is not claiming any property damage as a result of the activities of Cactus Gold Mine. (16:5-13)	Deponent has not worked since 1982 and therefore is not claiming any damages from loss of income. (13:12-15)	Deponent talked to Anna Belle Woody about a possible lawsuit against Cactus Gold Mine in 1997 or 1998. (34:15-21) This meeting, according to the deponent, occurred after the lawsuit had commenced. (34:22-35:6)

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JAMES A. HOOPER
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Visual cloud with acrid/metallic smell would float (air pocket) through every few months (50:16-52:12). ▪ Assumed coming from cement plant. Based on what Anna Belle Woody told her about violations of environmental laws at the mine (57:9-58:12) and health problems of mine workers (64:17-65:8).	Bought house in California City. Had to move from house in Mojave where lived since early '70s. Gave up farm – purchased farm equipment (13:3-17). Rash on hands (36:12-37:24) ▪ First saw doctor 4-5 years ago. ▪ Work around chemicals, solvents and gasoline on farm. No testing for mercury or cyanide of self or property (45:7-15). Rash continues after moved (53:3-54:20). Except for rash no medical treatment for last 10 years (65:19-66:5).	Owned 50 acres in Mojave. Sold 10 acres in 1991 for $89,000. Sold 2 ½ acres with geodetic dome house on it for $80,000 in 1995 (23:8-24:12). Purchased 50 acres in Mojave in 1972 for $67,000 with all buildings except dome (28:11-20). Farm was a tax shelter and can still support crops and animals (29:12-31:4). Animals were lost under normal circumstances (31:5-24). Water has tested 7-8 years ago as "excellent" (31:25-32:15). No dust from mine landed on property (35:24-36:11). Moving expenses of $4,000 to $5,000 (60:18-61:4). Purchase of property in California City - $140,000 (61:5-23). ▪ Now worth $75,000 - $80,000 Mojave property not appraised by purchased for $1,400 per acre and believes now worth $5,000 per acre (62:14-64:13). No trees dying (66:6-9). Consequential damages ▪ Bought 2 houses next door to each other in California City in '96 – '97 ▪ Abandoned one because of loss of value; purchase price $140,000, $14,000 down, $1,100 per month ▪ Live in 2nd house, $75,000, $20,000 down, $415 per month.	$5,000 per year for 9 years loss of income from farm (21:4-12).	Moved from Mojave in 1991 Own remainder of property – barn, farm house, out buildings, farm equipment, fencing (24:13-19). They moved solely in fear of son's health (29:9-13). Anna Belle Woody asked them if they were concerned about the Cactus Mine. Deponent (they) responded worried about son's health because someone authoritative had mentioned son had symptoms of mercury poisoning. That's why they moved in 1991 (39:17-40:12). (Probably Mrs. Murray) (42:22-43:6)

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MARLENE F. HOOPER
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Discussion of problems with Brett (dismissal pending) (7:17-15:22) Psychiatrist said no mercury residue would be left at time of son's second hospitalization (29:22-30:9) Lived downwind from mine and it was releasing heavy metals (32:24-34:3) Metallic smell when wind blew, metallic taste in mouth next morning (38:7-39:5) • Wind blew towards the east • Tested well (500 gallon per minute well) and came back with arsenic and cyanide within acceptable levels	Eczema on left hand (17:3-18:9) • Began after had been living in California City of 5 years • Treats with Cortaid Respiratory allergies (18:10-19:18) • Runny nose 6 months out of the year while lived in Mojave • Got worse every year after moved to California City • Very allergic to tumbleweeds (Russian thistle) • Allergic to desert plants generally • Feels mine exacerbated tendency to have allergies (19:12-16) Arthritis (19:19-20:22) • Joints in hands hurt • Taking Glucosamine and Chondroiton Also worried that son's problems were caused by the cement plant burning dioxides (28:10-13)	No appraisal (24:9-12) Feels property devalued because of contamination in area but never tested (37:9-20)		Moved for Mojave in March 1990. We talked to a lot of people before we moved [in March 1990] about the toxins that were probably blowing from the mine and the metallic taste and about how it was bad for us to be downwind from a cement plant or a mine. (21:14-22:5) Spoke with Terry Murray and (maybe) Barbara Rigg about the mine in late '80's and again in the '90's. (22:6-22:18) Didn't joint Murray lawsuit because too busy. (22:22-23:4) Extrapolated that the mine might be cause of son's health problems from Murray's son's problems prior to moving (28:23-29:17) Had discussions about mine with Barbara Rigg at time Golden/Silver Queen was starting up. When moved in March of '90 were fleeing problems caused by mine (33:21-35:2)

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TARA DAYNE HUFFORD
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Turned 18 July 10, 1998 (11:24-12:7) Birth date July 10, 1980 (13:17-18) Moved away from Rosamond area July 11, 1999 (14:2-14:11) Mom and (unidentified) doctors told her illness and rash could have been caused by mercury spill (20:8-17) Kept diary while had rash of eating patterns, severity, trouble breathing, detergents and shampoo used (35:21-39:17) • Told by doctors to start it	Rash on legs, stomach, arms, back, hands and feet (20:10-25:4) • Numerous doctor's visits for rash (22:4- Scars from biopsies (25:9-26:12) Cyst on thyroid (26:13-26:22) Scars from rash (26:23-27:24) Nightmares and embarrassment as result of rash (32:2- Rash stopped when moved to Las Vegas (44:19-25) Testing for heavy metals – inconclusive (45:1-18) • Cause of rash undetermined (45:22-47:22) • Biopsy scar (47:23-48:12) results unknown (50:2-5) • Thyroid cyst – no action taken (48:16-49:1) (50:6-18)			(For parents) Deponent believes she was 14 when the lawsuit started (20:16) Rash began in 1993 (21:6-20)

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DAVID LANGAARD
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Deponent has no factual basis for believing any of his physical ailments have anything to do with any operation of the Cactus Gold Mine. (27:22-25) Deponent has not discussed the subject with anybody and nobody has told him that any of his conditions are connected in any way with the Cactus Gold Mine. (28:1-6) Deponent has no idea what the connection is between his injuries and the Cactus Gold Mine. (31:23-32:5)	Deponent has thyroid and heart problems. (9:2-14) Doesn't know if his physical problems are related to Cactus Mine and no one has ever told him they were. (11:7-16) Deponent has seen a doctor for his thyroid problem. (15:9-16:15) No one has ever told him that his thyroid problem is related to the operation of the Cactus Gold Mine. (21:2-4)	Deponent is not claiming any property damage. He does not own his own home. (32:25-33:3)	Deponent is not claiming any lost wages. He has been disabled for three years. (7:4-9)	There are no facts here which would allow us to bring a summary judgment against this deponent on the basis of statute of limitations.

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MONA LANGAARD
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
rior to living in Rosamond, her and her family had no medical problems. In 1991, they moved to Rosamond and all of their problems started. (19:1-6) She doesn't know if something to do with Cactus Gold Mine is causing their problems. (19:7-18) She only got into the lawsuit because someone approached her and her husband about becoming plaintiffs. (19:24-20:3) No one has ever told her, and she has no basis for believing, that Cactus Gold Mine has anything to do with her problems. (44:4-19) She has no lost income. (45:16-21)	Deponent suffers from headaches. (21:8-14) She saw a doctor for her headaches. (22:9-25) The doctor didn't tell her the headaches were related to the mine. (24:11-14) Deponent suffers from rashes. (25:12-21) The doctor never told her what caused the rashes. (26:12-25) She has a problem with frequent urination. (28:18-21) No one has ever told her that the frequent urination problem was related to the Cactus Mine's activity. (29:9-20) Deponent suffers from prolonged fatigue. (30:2-4) No one has ever told her that her fatigue is related to the Cactus Gold Mine's activity. (31:18-21) Deponent suffers from allergies. (32:4-14) No one has ever told her that her allergies are related to the activity of the Cactus Mine. (32:18-20) She has no current medical expenses. (47:3-8)	Deponent does not claim any property damage because her and her husband currently rent their house. (60:15-24)		No facts which would afford us the opportunity to get this deponent out on summary judgment based upon the statute of limitations.

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DONALD LEAVITT
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Deponent believes that his property has been contaminated. (15:8-22) Gwen Woody told him that his property is contaminated. (15:24-16:4) A real estate agent told him his property value had dropped because of contamination. (16:9-17:1) The real estate agent never gave deponent any idea about how much the land was devalued. (23:20-24:8) No appraisal was done on the property. (24:9-11) The property has never been tested for contamination.	Deponent is not claiming any physical injuries. (9:2-4)	Deponent believes his property has been contaminated. (15:8-22) The real estate agent told him his property value had dropped because of contamination. (16:9-17:1) The real estate agent never gave deponent any idea about how much the land was devalued. (23:20-24:8) No appraisal has been done on the property. (24:9-11)	Deponent is not claiming any lost wages. (8:22-9:1)	

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RUSTY DEAN NESS
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Renter at present Rosamond address since 1992 (3 miles from mine) Lived in Rosamond since 1977 about 10 miles away (9:25-12:21) Property owned by Jerry Cochran Tropico Gold Mine (21:7-19) Notice posted that well water was undrinkable (20:23-22:17) and had to be cleaned out – no indication of reason	Skin problems developed in last 2 years (22:26-27:3) (24:2-27:8) Headaches (27:9-28:5) • Top of head, treated with over-the-counter drugs • Headaches began in 1997 and occur almost every day (31:26-33:16) Metallic taste (34:11-35:7) Property owners Burton Bros of Tropico Mine (43:5-17) • Lives on mine property ≈ 1,000 yards from the mine (43:23-44:8) • Gold mine (48:15-17)	Dog died in '97 (18:16-20:11) No testing (20:19-22)		Learned of mercury release in '97 from Rikki Allen (15:4-14) Filled out questionnaire in '97 (18:11-15)

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DEBORAH POPOLIZIO
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
A woman came to deponent's house and discussed the possibility of filing a lawsuit against the cactus mine, possibly as early as 1995. However, she is not sure of the date. (58:3-59:2) Deponent and her husband took a tour of the Cactus Mine and were told about the cyanide leaching process. (60:1-19) Deponent had conversations with neighbors regarding the potentially hazardous nature of the cyanide process employed by the mine as early as 1991. (62:1-63:8) Deponent has no factual basis for her allegation that her sinus headaches were the result of the Cactus Mine operation. She is really not sure whether the mine caused any of her injuries. (65:15-66:1) Deponent believes that her property value has gone down because people know that mine is using cyanide so they refuse to purchase property there.	Deponent has sinus headaches and insomnia. (44:9-13) Deponent's husband has a strange rash. (44:4-8) Sinus headaches began in 1990. (47:23-48:4) Deponent has seen a doctor for those headaches. (48:5-8) None of those doctors ever told her that her sinus pain was attributable to the activity of the mine. (52:3-9)	Deponent claims that her property value has dropped approximately $60,000 worth. (24:10-12) Had the property reassessed. The original value of the house was $119,000. Reassessed at $58,000. (24:10-23) On one ever gave her a reason for the drop in the value of her home. (26:23-25)	No loss of earning claimed by this deponent. (18:8-11)	A woman came to deponent's house and discussed the possibility of filing a lawsuit against Cactus Mine possibly as early as 1995. Deponent is not sure of the date. (58:3-59:2) Deponent and her husband took a tour of the Cactus Mine and were told of the cyanide leaching process. (60:1-19) Deponent had conversations with neighbors regarding the potentially hazardous nature of the cyanide process employed by the mine as early as 1991. (62:1-63:8)

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STEVEN POPOLIZIO
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
ponent knows of no specific cause of his loss. (47:22-48:16) Deponent saw activity occurring at the mine but never saw anything he would call misconduct. (59:22-60:1) Deponent first heard about this lawsuit from a lady who came by his residence. Deponent is unsure who that was or when that was. (64:18-65:23) Deponent's only factual basis for believing the mine's activity is at all related to his property loss is that deponent knew what kind of chemicals the mine was using and other people kept telling him that he shouldn't live there. (42:9-43:2)		Deponent is claiming property damage as a result of the mine's activity. Deponent believes that his property has decreased in value because of the gold mine and the publicity about the mine's activity. (28:7-29:5) Deponent's only factual basis for believing the mine's activity is at all related to his property loss is that deponent knew what kind of chemicals the mine was using and other people kept telling him that he shouldn't live there. (42:9-43:2) A property assessment took place in 1995. (37:5-17). No one attributed the loss of value of deponent's land to the mine. (42:9-43:2) Deponent's belief that his property value's decline was caused by the Cactus Mine was based on his speculation and conversations he had with other residents (45:20-46:12), and the common fears of the neighborhood. (60:2-4) Deponent is not claiming any other damage of any kind other than property damage. (47:19-21)	No lost earnings from the activity of Cactus Gold Mine. (26:13-16)	There is no factual basis for bringing a summary judgment motion against this deponent on the basis of statute of limitations.

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JULIO SANCHEZ-ORSINI
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
..as asthma and allergies that didn't have before moved onto property (20:14-23) Deponent offered property to co-worker for $75,000.00. Told him about spill and lawsuit and offer was never accepted (22:19-25:10) Deponent provided HDC&R with scrapings from swamp cooler about a year ago but never received testing results (25:18-28:13) "Attorney" stated deponent could sue mine and collect damages for not being able to sell land because no one would buy after disclosure of spill (44:16-45:14) When moved on property had no physical ailments, *i.e.*, asthma and allergies, high blood pressure, now does (63:22-64:21)	Had blood test and no mercury contamination detected (47:22-48:17) (69:22-70:9) Under treatment by physician for allergies and high blood pressure (65:8-71:2) Some allergies pre-exist moving onto property (71:3-16) Doesn't attribute problems with allergies to mine (72:20-22) Not suffering from – proteinuria, dyspnea, *mental/emotional distress, insomnia* as alleged in rogs (73:3-15) Headaches – suffers every day; relieved by aspirin, never seen a doctor, began 3-4 years ago (73:16-7) Not suffering from – rashes, skin/eye irritation, salivation, mental confusion, joint aches, muddled thinking (74:8-75:4), fatigue (76:6-13) Metal taste in mouth (75:5-76:5) ▪ from dust in air ▪ relieved by brushing teeth Frequent urination (76:14-77:1) ▪ Never seen doctor Claiming no personal injury damages (77:25-78-8)	Living with Mignonne (wife) on property owned in joint tenancy by Stidham and Mignonne but claims will have ownership interest "soon." (19:20-20:13) Partition action filed. (21:9-22:6) "Detective/attorney" (Chiodo) told deponent that Court's regularly value remediation at $10 per foot and that is damage amount deponent is claiming as stated in answers to interrogatories (55:20-58:13) *Well tested in 1992 by the County for* permit (81:16-82:12)		Learned about mercury spill in 1996 or 1997 (20:5-8) First time heard about lawsuit was at a meeting at Anna Belle Woody's house in '97 or '98 (36:3-6) Asthma began in 1994 and high blood pressure began in 1997 (64:25-65:7)

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MIGNONNE SANCHEZ-ORSINI
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
eponent doesn't believe potential purchasers will buy property located near mine because cyanide pits are on property (35:10-37:20) • Learned of pits in 1980s Mercury spill as cause of property devaluation (37:21-38:2) No samples taken (60:22-61:2) Blood test for mercury came back negative (63:25-64:5) Well tested in 1992 and no problems found (79:1-80:14)	Rheumatoid arthritis diagnosed in 1992; can't say its not caused by mine (50:15-50:24) High blood pressure not attributed to mine (55:6-9) Weight problems attributable to high blood pressure • Can't say not caused by mine (56:14-57:8) • No other problems attributed to mine (56:1-13) (59:11-19) Not seeking personal injuries as result of lawsuit (didn't allege damages in the amount of $250,000) (57:19-59:10) No metal taste in mouth (68:14-17)	Real Estate Co. set asking price at $264,000 in 1990 based on comparables in the area (13:25-14:25) • No other appraisal (15:11-15:15) Tax assessor's bill assessed property at $54,531 (15:1-10) No claim for property damage Only claiming loss of property value based on the fact that they would have to inform prospective purchasers of the 1988 spill (27:14-28:6) Real Estate Co. valued deponent's 10-acre share of property at $75,000 in ≈ 1999 Isn't claiming remediation costs of $450,000 as provided in rogs (49:12-50:8) (Verification was not filled in when signed (48:18-49:6)) Only claiming loss of value (80:25-83:7) because would have to disclose the lawsuit Not claiming the $9,000,000 stated in rogs only the value of the property (85:8-88:13)		People in the restaurant where deponent worked, including Brown & Root employees and Brown & Root supervisor talked about spill in 1988 but didn't have disclosure concerns until 1 year ago when spoke with real estate agent (28:7-32:1) Read about spill in newspaper article in 1988 (34:19-22) Anna Belle Woody spoke with deponent ≈ summer of 1997 In 1989, read about an environment agency fining the mine in a newspaper (77:13-25)

PHILLIP MICHAEL SANTIAGO
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
..oesn't know if Defendants did anything but doesn't know they didn't (43:1-22) (57:13-17)	Tiredness, headaches, respiratory problems (32:16-33:22) • No diagnosis until received letter from doctor (37:3-14) Renal failure (33:15-21) (39:4-40:17) • No cause given Fired for drinking too much (19:23-20:5) Condition worsening; problems driving and staying awake; on dialysis 3 times per week; 3 ½ hours each time (56:14- Headaches caused or lessened (?) by medication for kidney problems (69:15-70:13)		Loss of earnings • Due to illness in '92 – '94 (18:18- • Not claiming real property damage (19:20-22)	Began getting sick in June – August 1992 (27:19-21) or before (28:1-4) (32:16-19) Told of problems with operations in Mojave area by Dewey, friend in trailer park, at least 9-10 years ago (51:5-52:11)

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JAMES STIDHAM
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Just general decline of property values in neighborhood (43:6-15) Present assessed value for property taxes is $54,531 (44:25-45:3) Mignonne put his name on a list as one of the "concerned" or "affected" neighbors. He knows nothing more about it (63:21-68:3) (77:2-17)	None (60:21-17) (80:24-81:1)	In 1990, received offer of $150,000 on property (20 acres) owned as joint tenants by Stidham and Mignonne Sanchez Orsini; originally paid $25,000 in 1980 (9:11-23; 21:6-17; 26:23-27:1) Offer was withdrawn before deponents could accept it (49:3-49:18) Reason for withdrawal of offer never provided Only loss claiming is decline in property value (40:15-19)		Meeting held at Anna Belle Woody's house to discuss adverse affects of mercury spill sometime between 1992 and 1995. Mignonne informed deponent of meeting, but deponent didn't attend (62:4-65:14)

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CHRISTIE COLEEN SULLIVAN
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
...ves with Phillip Santiago for last 28 years (4:21-5:1) Moved on property in Rosamond in July '94 (8:15-25) ▪ lived in Rosamond Trailer parks from '89 to '94 (9:1-25) Vegetables in garden are miniature and plants are dying – they didn't used to (22:23-24:3) ▪ never told cause by mine Soil never tested (33:4-6) Water comes from City system (33:14-15) No one ever said problems with animals caused by mine (45:3-6) Some airborne contaminant or something got in the water and caused damage uses City water system and drinks bottled water (56:13-58:11)	Allergies, rash, and respiratory problems (24:7-25:4) Diagnosed with tracheal bronchitis in '99 (27:20-28:3) ▪ uses inhaler (35:17-36:20) Rash (30:16-33:3) ▪ began July '94 (30:16-25) ▪ never saw doctor ▪ never told caused by mine	Not alleging any property damage (12:2-5) Vegetables grown for personal use, some are small (38:7-39:1) Pet ferret died from pancreatic tumor (39:2-40:22) 22 year-old poodle has breathing problems and needs to be put to sleep (41:8-42:18) Bird with "soft hips" (42:19-43:15) Golden lab with cyst on head (44:5-21) German Shepherd is find (44:21-24)		Allergies began when moved to desert in '89 (26:7-17) Knew nothing about lawsuit until received discovery in the main (50:15-52:3)

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BONNIE WARD
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
..e first contact deponent had with anybody regarding a potential lawsuit against Cactus Mine was sometime in 1996 when an unidentified man came to her family's home and began discussing the fact that there was a mining company in the area and asking whether deponent and her family were having any problems with their health, water or animals. (57:3-58:25) An unidentified individual came to deponent's residence and alerted her to the fact that the physical problems that her family was suffering from could be caused by contaminated well water and that that contamination, in turn, could have been caused by the operations of Cactus Gold Mine. (66:2-68:14) The unidentified individual was Rocky Woody. (69:17-25) ..either late 1996 or early 1997, Rocky ..ody provided to the deponent a form which included various symptoms of illnesses with check boxes after it and asked the deponent to check any of the illness which she or her family were suffering from (73:8-75:14) Deponent can state no facts which show that her physical ailments are the result of activity at the Cactus Gold Mine. (97:1-6)	Deponent suffered from depression, anxiety, urinary tract infections and bladder infections. (83:18-84:1) Deponent has seen health care professionals for her physical ailments. (84:10-24) No medical professional has ever told deponent what the cause of her depression and anxiety are. (96:15-17) No medical professional has ever told deponent that the activities of the Cactus Gold Mine caused her anxiety and depression. (96:18-22) Deponent claims that her premature delivery of her last child is related to the activity of the Cactus Gold Mine. (96:23-97:6) It is deponent's own belief that her giving birth prematurely to her youngest child is related to the Cactus Gold Mine activity. She believes the Cactus Gold Mine caused her premature delivery because she thinks it is just so unusual that she would be so healthy and give birth to two normal children and then all of a sudden give birth to a premature child. (97:1-6) No health care professional ever told deponent that her premature delivery was the result of any activity at the Cactus Mine. (100:6-11) Deponent began doing investigations concerning the activity of the mine and the possible connection to the physical symptoms she and her family were experiencing in the spring of 1996. (121:5-11)	Deponent is claiming no property damage because she does not own her residence, she rents. (31:24-32:2)	No loss of earnings due to the activity of Cactus Mine. (21:23-25) Deponent states that nothing related to the Cactus Mine will cause her to lose future earnings. (22:1-3)	The first contact deponent had with anybody regarding a potential lawsuit against Cactus Mine was sometime in 1996 when an unidentified man came to her family's home and began discussing the fact that there was a mining company in the area and asking whether deponent and her family were having any problems with their health, water or animals. (57:3-58:25) This first meeting with the unidentified individual took place sometime prior to April 23, 1996. (62:8-12) Deponent had a second meeting, approximately two months after the first meeting with the same individual in which they went into more detail regarding a potential lawsuit against Cactus Gold Mine. (62:13-65:24) During this second meeting, the unidentified individual alerted deponent to the fact that her family's physical problems could be stemming from contamination of the well water on their property and that this contamination could have been caused by Cactus Gold Mine. (66:2-68:14)

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JEREMIAH WARD
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Deponent has heard that there is a lot of mercury out there and that there are a lot of chemicals in the ground. A lot of people living in the area have told him that the ground is contaminated. (15:6-16) Deponent is still currently having problems with headaches approximately once a week. (29:5-8) No doctor has ever told him what the cause of his headaches is. (30:5-8)	Deponent suffers from coughs, headaches, nosebleeds, mental and emotional distress. (9:18-10:6) The deponent saw a doctor for his cough. The doctor prescribed some medication for the cough. (22:15-20)	Deponent is not claiming any property damage from the activity of Cactus Gold mine in that he his a minor and does not own any real property. (9:14-17)	Deponent is not claiming a loss of income from the activity of Cactus Gold Mine because he does not have a job. (24:12-13)	Deponent was a minor at the time the lawsuit was filed.

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JOHN WARD
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
...eponent met with Anna Belle Woody who told him that some of the chicken eggs had been tested and found to contain mercury, that the swamp coolers had been tested and found to contain mercury, and that some of the livestock had died (pigs, cows and chickens), and through some process, those dead animals were determined to contain large quantities of mercury. (38:4-25) Deponent saw a video of a mercury spill that had taken place at Cactus Gold Mine. (39:1-9) Deponent states that he doesn't know for a fact that the Cactus Gold Mine has done him anything that has caused him either physical, property or monetary damages. He doesn't have proof of anything, but he does know that he is generally not sick a day in his life and while he was in his house ...ear the Cactus Gold Mine, he was sick ...te a lot. (46:7-17)	Deponent had respiratory problems. (46:18-23) Deponent also has problems with his neck (47:15-20) Deponent had to go to a doctor to receive cortisone shots in his neck to relieve the pain and stiffness. (47:15-23) Deponent never went to the doctor for any of his respiratory problems. (49:3-6) Deponent has problems with memory. (51:15-52:16) Deponent has not seen a health professional concerning his memory loss problems. (52:19-23)	Deponent claims that there were dead animals found under his trailer. (42:23-43:12) Deponent has not had his property appraised other than the appraisal to obtain the original purchase money loan. (44:18-25) No body has ever told him what the property would be worth, such as a real estate agent or private appraisal company. (45:5-7) Deponent does not know for sure whether there was a drop in the value of his property. (68:25-69:3) Deponent lost his residence through a foreclosure by the bank.		Deponent first became involved in the lawsuit when he came home from work one day and his wife told him that somebody named Rocky Woody had come by to talk about the Cactus Gold Mine. (29:21-30:1) Approximately two weeks after the first meeting with Rocky Woody, Mr. Woody returned to talk to deponent some more about the operation of the Cactus Gold Mine and its possible connection with the physical ailments of the residents. (31:19-32:7) Rocky Woody told deponent that he thinks that the contamination came from the Cactus Gold Mine. (32:11-14) The meetings with Rocky Woody regarding the possible connection between the Cactus Gold Mine and the problems suffered by deponent occurred probably a year and a half before his wife moved out of the house. (37:20-38:3)

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JOYCE MARIE WARD
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Deponent's factual basis for believing that the Cactus Mine activity contributed to the physical ailments of her family is that her family began suffering from nose bleeds, headaches, sinus problems and nausea shortly after moving to their Rosamond address and it was only when they were outside on the ground, playing baseball or basketball for example, that they would get real sick. (14:25-15:6) Also, deponent found it odd that certain things she would plant in her yard would just die and keep dying even when she put new soil down. (15:7-14) None of her children had had any physical problems before moving there. (16:2-5) Hollywood Damage Control and Recovery tested Deponent's soil. (17:19-23) Deponent never got the results of her test. :26-18:1) Deponent talked to two of her neighbors before signing up for the lawsuit regarding the physical problems of her children. The neighbors told her that they felt their symptoms were a result of the Cactus Gold Mine. (18:9-25) Deponent is aware that there was a mercury spill at the Cactus Gold Mine in 1988 and believes that her land is contaminated with mercury as a result of that spill. (18:26-19:14) Her only basis for this belief is her own opinion. (19:15-17) Deponent talked to a worker at the Cactus Gold Mine named Juan Chavez who told her that they were very careless with their operation and that they had no monitoring	Deponent was suffering from headaches, nosebleeds, sinus problems, upper respiratory problems and bronchitis. (15:21-26) None of her children had had any physical problems before moving there. (16:2-5) Deponent did not take her children or herself to the doctor for any of these physical ailments. (16:6-9)	Deponent believes that her property has been damaged and that she could not sell it for the $60,000 for which she purchased it because she believes the land is contaminated with mercury. (24:4-22) No one has ever told her that there is mercury on her land. (24:23-25) There have been no appraisals done on her property to determine the current value of it. (25:10-18)		Deponent first became aware that a lawsuit was going to be filed when Anna Belle Woody informed her of such. This was in either 1995 or 1996. (14:14-24) Deponent first attributed the problems that she and her children were having to the operations of Cactus Gold Mine in '94 or '95, approximately four months after she moved into the residence. (22:18-25) Deponent believed there was a connection between the activity at Cactus Gold Mine and the problems her family was facing approximately a year before Anna Belle Woody approached her with the lawsuit. (23:8-24)

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FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
in their air control, and that the spill in 1988 got out of hand. (20:23-21:9) : Chavez told deponent that quite a few employees including Mr. Chavez became sick as a result of the mercury spill.				

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MEAGHAN WARD
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
	Has a really bad cough. This occurs once every three months. (6:17-22). When she gets sick she has bloody noses. (7:7-12) and headaches (8:13-19). Had same physical problems when her family lived in their other residence. (11:13-19) Has never gone to a doctor for her physical problems.			No (minor).

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ANNA BELLE WOODY
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Well not tested (27:9-11) Fisher told her the fan at the mine broke down and spewed mercury into the air (96:3-97:4) No appraisal (132:2-21) Video tape of Q&A session with Michael Fisher given to HDC&R (134:12-26) (House waived any objection to testing results 137:8-9)	Sinus infections and bronchitis began in 1991 (35:24-36:8) Thyroid problems, headaches, nosebleeds, itching, metallic taste in mouth and shortness of breath in 1993 (37:5-13) Don't blame mine for Anna Belle Woody's husband's quadruple bypass (110:1-5) or rash (112:6-113:2) No other personal injuries for husband (113:3-6) No further respiratory problems (132:24-133:14) and no lingering effects (143:23-144:8) Small amount of mercury flushed out after 2 chelation treatments (146:3-19) Mercury not detected by blood test (146:25-147:6) ▪ doctor took urine sample and used "medico sonolator" (148:9-150:9) Hair sample indicated no mercury (150:10-21)	Three elm trees died in 1996 ▪ took four years for them to die ▪ first noticed problems with the trees in '91 (76:6-77:15)		Became involved in lawsuit when family began getting sick in 1993 (15:9-16:1) Started investigations in early '90s (16:8-17:17) when helped Rigg & Murray gather info for their lawsuit in '90 or '91 Didn't join because felt contamination wasn't bad enough (17:18-23) Helped Chiodo take samples from water cooler (18:8-19:6) in 1995 Knew something was wrong (prior to this time) because when swam cooler was cleaned "he" broke out into a rash (19:10-19:15) Received test results from lab in 1995 (19:16-20:9) ▪ sent to EMS Labs in Pasadena Talked to people in neighborhood about it in 1995 or 1996 ▪ Orsinis, Sanchezes, Wards, Milburn, Butler, Riddle, Croy, Edmonds Edmonds reported they found mercury in the dust in their window sills (21:14-22:9) ▪ Orsinis' chickens were dying in '95-96 Attended meeting with reps of Cactus Queen Mine in '90-'91 about mercury spill (22:10-25:22) at Terry Murphy's house. No other plaintiffs there Soil tested 3 times in '96, '97 & '98 along with Edmonds, Arevalos, and Sanchez Received reports for tests done in '96 and '97 but not '98 (31:7-32:16) and received test results from water cooler in 1996 Provided documents to HDC&R in 1995

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FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
				who turned over to attorneys (57:13-58:21) First met Pam Mozer in July of 1995 (64:7-15) First came in contact with HDC&R in 1994 (64:26-65:7) Tests from RCH Research and Environmental Labs produced (68:22-70:6) ▪ samples taken in '98 Began chelation treatments in '95 or '96, received information produced at first treatment (71:2-71:20) Started gathering info for lawsuit in 1995 (72:15-24) Believed she had physical problems related to lawsuit in 1993 when daughter became sick (72:25-73:16) Related it to mercury spill of '88 when remodeled in '92 stirred up a lot of dust and daughter began getting sick in '93 (74:19-75:9) Signed up neighbors for lawsuit in '95 or '96 ▪ Burnetts, Croys, Perrante, Johnson, Arevalo, Sanchez, Orsini, Edmonds, Wards and Fishers (87:18-89:7) Spoke with Orsinis, Sanchezes, Edmonds and Wards about problems related to the mine prior to, or during, 1995 (93:15-94:3) Gwen Woody began to link illness with Cactus Gold Mine at same time as Anna Belle – in 1993 (109:7-26) Murray and Riggs told deponent in 1990 that felt problems of their animals dying was associated with mercury spill (115:4-7) In 1991 hung patch to indicate (127:22-128:17) Didn't do anything because was waiting to

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				get worse (128:18-131:5) Edmonds indicated they were having physical problems associated with the mine to deponent in 1995 (161:8-162:5) First spoke with Mignonne Orsini about lawsuit prior to 1995 and she talked to James Stidham (172:8-11) Arevalos talked to mine and deponent prior to 1993 about rocks flying onto property (180:18-181:13) Jeannette Butler – niece of Barbara Riggs ▪ already knew of problem with mines (183:8-18) (184:1-6) ▪ Sanchezes also nieces of Riggs (183:19-26)

GWEN DELYNN WOODY
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Dr. Soli (of Reno, Nevada) diagnosed unusually high levels of mercury in system (126:23-128:8) Henry McIntyre said mine red-tagged (138:21-139:6) and told deponent's brother the problems with mercury were caused by mine because only source of mercury in desert. Dr. Soli said mine was a potential cause of problems (140:16-142:5) Decline in desert reptiles (185:14-186:25)	Loss of earnings • Claims $10,000 loss because couldn't clean houses due to ill health (26:9-28:3) Problems with loss of equilibrium and low blood pressure have cleared up and problems with weakness and fatigue, insomnia, dizziness, memory loss and confusion have subsided (75:19-77:5) Tremors (78:3-14; 79:20-85:18) • Began in mid-90's (*i.e.*, 1995) • Diagnosed as intention tremors • Began to subside after 10-12 chelation treatments Headaches (85:22-91:17) • Headaches worse when wind blew • 3-4 times per week • No headaches when away from property • Prevented deponent from doing daily activities Rash (91:18-93:19) • On arms, neck, face, chest; everywhere body exposed • Itchy and would last a week or two • Did not prevent daily activities Forgetfulness (93:19-95:22) • Interfered with daily activities Underwent 31 or 32 chelation therapy at $100 - $200 per treatment to rid of toxins (130:3-136:10)	Land owned by parents; only owns mobile home (37:5-12) No physical damage to mobile home; alleging damage to plants (182:10-184:11) and trees	No loss, just deponent's approximation of what she believed she could have made house cleaning if not ill (178:6-180:12) • No specific names of potential clients (180:16-181:13)	Became ill in 1995 Began trying to find out what was wrong in 1996 (45:20-48:22) Diagnosed with mercury poisoning by Dr. Soli in late '96 – early '97 (50:15-23) First contact with Pat Chiota (friend of brother's) early 1997 (51:3-52:11) Pat Chiota first contacted deponent in late '96 / early '97 (54:4-10) Meeting with HDC&R where showed video after Schneiderman left. • Mignonne Sanchez present (61:12-63:13) • No attorney present 14 fillings removed (187:11-198:9) • Encouraged to do so by Dr. Soli in 1988 and all were gone 2 ½ to 3 years ago Dr. Soli checked deponent for mercury toxicity from 1989 on; found levels of mercury rising in 1994

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FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
	Metallic taste in mouth (145:14-147:7) • Symptoms at worst in '94 – '96; subsided Insomnia (147:8-149:9) • From dizziness and having to sleep upright • Improving Fatigue (149:10-151:5) • Saw doctor in Bakersfield and Mexico • Loss of work Weakness (151:6-152:16) • Muscle weakness • Began in 1994; subsided Allergies (153 – 156:23) • Diagnosed with allergies as a child (1972 – '82) • Subsided and returned when adult • Universal allergies • Exacerbated by Defendant's actions • Dr. Soli directly related the cause with mercury poisoning Slurred words (156:24-158:3) • Improving now Mood swings (158:4-159:19) • Calm to angry • Worst in '94 – '96; normal today Confusion (160:5-161:24) • Improving; no monetary loss Dizziness (161:25-163:9) • Caused by low blood pressure			

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	Eye / Skin Irritation (163:10-164:24) • Used eye drops for allergic, watery, red, itchy eyes Nausea (164:25-166:12) • As a result of dizziness; no vomiting Joint Aches (166:13-168:20) • Taking DMSO in pill form Lack of concentration (168:21-170:18) Short-term memory loss (170:20-171:17) same as forgetfulness Depression (171:18-173:15) • Dr. Soli correlated depression to mercury poisoning Urine dribbles (173:16-175:25) • Never sought medical attention Neck sores (176:2-8) same as rash Mental and emotional distress (176:9-178:5) • Because had to quit pioneering for Jehovah's Witnesses			

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JAMES BRYCE WOODY
INDIVIDUAL PROOF CHART

FACTUAL BASIS	PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES	PROPERTY DAMAGE	LOSS OF INCOME	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS
Mine employees were not qualified to "work cinnabar" (*i.e., mining cinnabar*) and that's why they had the mercury spill Deponent cannot state how mercury spill has adversely affected him (64:25-65:2) Hollywood tested soil (92:12-93:16) • Didn't provide deponent with results Mercury comes from cinnabar that could naturally be found under deponent's property (107:9-109:21)	(61:9-62:17) Doesn't know what physical symptoms may be attributable to the mercury dust; may have contributed to his quadruple bypass operation Dr. Soli tested deponent for mercury in his system and found above normal limits (94:25-95:25) Diagnosed with thyroid problems (98:13-99:5) Doctors have told deponent memory loss is result of triple bypass (100:6-8) Had 37 chelation treatments (100:16-24) No physical problems besides heart and thyroid (104:17-105:15)	Owns property with mobile home and garage(s) (34:7-35:2) Well water never tested (35:22-36:16) Believes problem with water because neighbor, who lives at 4500 block of Baccus and Tropical, 3-4 miles away, has arsenic, cyanide – other chemicals in her water (36:17-38:25) No appraisal of property (92:3-7)		First learned of lawsuit at meeting at Tom Edward's house in 1995 or '96 (43:23-44:12) Knows of Barbara Rigg and knew she was involved in a lawsuit (46:1-47:10) Learned about the spill in 1988 (60:24-61:12) Neighbors' animals dying 4-5 years ago (62:19-64:11) Deponent tested soil with chemicals (65:9-72:15) for mercury cyanide and cyanide in 1995-96 because worried about contamination from spill • Tested dark brown and red showing presence of cyanide and mercury Deponent tested dust from tool room window screen (72:14-73:9) • Same results Gave Dr. Soli newspaper articles about spill (97:7-98:5) Hollywood now has the articles • Came from local paper At first chelation treatment, August 14, 1996, Dr. Soli knew about spill and was trying to treat possible mercury poisoning (112:24-113:25) In '87 – '88 the local TV station (Bakerstown?) has coverage of the spill that would run for 4 days (114:1-5)

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RE: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et al.

Policyholder: CoCa Mines Company , Inc.
Policies: SMP 31501167 (12/24/80-12/24/82)
UB 11822059 (6/4/81-6/4/82)
UB 21826561 (6/4/82-12/24/82)

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Dear Mr. Rouse:

This letter will serve as a follow-up to my voicemail message left for you on Friday, August 4, 2000 in connection with the above referenced matter. I would appreciate your help and cooperation in terms of providing information in connection with each of the plaintiffs' claims. For example, please indicate when various plaintiffs moved into the immediate area of the Cactus Gold Mine Facility. In addition, please furnish any further information obtained during the course of discovery which outlines the nature and extent of their alleged injuries. We look forward to receiving this information immediately.

In addition, please advise if the settlement conference is still scheduled for August 25, 2000. Please confirm the location, time and other pertinent information in connection with this settlement conference. We look forward to receiving this information at you earliest convenience.

Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

Very truly yours,

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RE: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et al. (the "Litigation")
Policyholder: CoCa Mines (the "Insured")
Policy No.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
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Dear Mr. Edwards:

This is the follow-up on the conversations you had with Duke Rouse of the Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden, LLP, in San Bernardino, California, who is representing the Insured in the Litigation. With respect to attorneys' fees, as you and Mr. Rouse discussed, his firm's fee schedule is very competitive and is in the middle range of law firms which handle cases of the size and type similar to the Litigation. This fact is supported by surveys done by Mr. Rouse's firm.

The Litigation is a large and complex toxic tort suit with claimed damages in the hundreds of millions of dollars. It is unfair and misleading to assume that such Litigation could be assigned to generalist personal injury attorneys at discounted rates. It is clear that Mr. Rouse and his firm are the right attorneys to handle this case and that their billing rates are appropriate for the Litigation and the locale.

Demand was made for coverage of this suit on June 11, 1999. Coverage was agreed to on July 30, 1999. The Insured has been paying Mr. Rouse and his firm since the lawsuit was filed.

Large-scale discovery has taken place and significant litigation expenses have been incurred since coverage was accepted. It is extremely unfair and prejudicial to the Insured to ask now for a retro-active rate reduction.

In the face of these very serious concerns, but with the desire to resolve these issues and move on, the Insured is willing to agree to reimbursement from Zurich at 10% less than Gresham, Savage's normal billing rates. The Insured will, under extreme protest, pay the difference. This is a significant discount from the amounts already paid by the Insured for defense of this case.

Please call me if you would like to discuss these matters further.

Sincerely,

Mark Wielga

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Re: *Creque v. Cactus Gold etc. et al.*

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of April 21, 2000, I am enclosing for your review copies of the following documents:

1. A letter dated January 8, 1999 to Price Waterhouse Coopers from James E. Good;
2. My letter dated May 26, 1999 to Michael White and John Galbavy;
3. My letter dated July 14, 1999 to Steven Zelig and Pamela Mozer;
4. My letter dated August 11, 1999 to Michael White;
5. A deposition schedule of the Plaintiffs noticed for deposition;
6. A Mining/Processing history at Cactus Gold;
7. A list of our firm's current billing rates.

It is my understanding that you will be contacting Mark Welga and further discussing with him attorneys' fees rates as a result of our discussion. As I indicated, I would be more than happy to join in any of those discussions if and when you deem it appropriate. I look forward to working with you along with our client in continuing to pursue the successful defense of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Duke D. Rouse, of
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Re: Hecla Mining Company

Gentlemen:

Attached hereto is a copy of our letter of January 7, 1999.

Please be advised of the following corrections:

1. At the top of page 2, each individual plaintiff appears to be claiming general and special damages in the sum of $200 million, instead of $1,000,000.00, and punitive damages in the amount of $200 million, instead of $2,000,000.00.

2. In the last sentence of the fourth paragraph on page 1, the date should be January 6, 1999, instead of January 6, 1998.

We apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused.

Please let me know if I can provide any further information or clarification.

Very truly yours,

James E. Good

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Kern County Superior Case No. 235323; Your File No. 5000

Dear Mr. Zelig and Ms. Mozer:

I am writing to "meet and confer" with respect to some outstanding discovery which has been propounded to your clients.

By way of overview, your clients commenced this action in a fashion which includes serious allegations of wrongdoing on the part of our client, which conduct has allegedly resulted in literally (this is by your figures) billions of dollars worth of damage. Both we and our co-defendant, Brown & Root, have undertaken the first round of discovery to which your clients have now responded and we know no more about the factual basis of these claims now than we did when the complaint was served. It would seem that if the allegations of wrongdoing had any substantial merit and if the damages were as serious as has been claimed, it would be a relatively simple task to provide us with that information. In fact, it would seem that if your clients were entitled to and desirous of receiving compensation for these damages, they would be anxious to inundate us with that information.

However, what we have experienced is either an unwillingness or an inability on the part of your or your clients or both to provide even the rudimentary facts which underlie the filing of this action.

That general observation having been made, there are some specific problems that exist with respect to all of the discovery that has been propounded to your clients to date.

Judicial Council Form Interrogatories, Set No. One

On May 28, 1999, we served Judicial Council Form Interrogatories, Set No. One to all of your clients, except George Creque, Jr. As these interrogatories were served by mail, the responses would have to be served on or before July 2, 1999. No such responses have been received by our office. Obviously, this discovery is now overdue and we therefore demand that responses (without objection) be served upon this office within ten days from the date of this letter or we will have no alternative but to bring a motion to compel production of these answers. Understandably, we will seek sanctions against your clients and/or you firm at that time for having to undertake those efforts.

Special Interrogatories, Set One

On June 4, 1999, we served upon your office by mail the First Set of Special Interrogatories. By our calculation, again accounting for mailing, these responses would be due on or before July 9, 1999. On July 12, 1999, we received from your office what purports to be your clients' responses to the Special Interrogatories. The Proof of Service indicates a service date of July 9, 1999.

In the Responses to Special Interrogatories, Set No. One, we first find that there was a general objection made that the time frame required for the submission of responses would be overly burdensome and oppressive due to the number of plaintiffs in this case. I am personally unaware of, and our research has revealed no statutory or case law substantiating any basis for such an objection. The time limits for responding to discovery are set forth in *Code of Civil Procedure*, in this case Section 2030(h). We find no special exception to these rules dictated by the number of parties involved.

The second portion of your general objection states that the plaintiffs will agree to meet and confer regarding an appropriate schedule for the service of the aforementioned responses. We had made overtures to your office following the receipt of your letter dated June 14, 1999. On June 16, 1999, I forwarded to you a letter indicating a proposal for an extension of discovery.

I followed up on that letter, having heard nothing in the interim, with my letter dated July 2, 1999. Short of this offer in your response to meet and confer in this respect, we find your desires to be evidently disingenuous. We have made attempts to work out a scheduling of this discovery with you, which have been ignored until inserted, apparently as an afterthought, in what has been presented to us as responses to these interrogatories.

In short, with respect to the Special Interrogatories, we believe we have no legal obligation to meet and confer with you about any extensions of discovery Nevertheless, we believe it to be in the interest of all parties to cooperate to the extent we are able with discovery, and we will agree to a further discussion regarding your providing in an orderly fashion **substantive** answers to these questions. However, to evidence your good faith in this process, we will leave it to you to contact our office to coordinate either a telephone meeting or an in person meeting to discuss this discovery. And, if it is not your intention of supplementing these responses with something of substance, you need not call. Barring such communication of good faith on your part, we will move forward with our motion to compel within ten days of the date of this letter.

As to the specific responses, there was no response made to Special Interrogatories Nos. 1, 4 and 7. Please provide a supplemental response to each of those interrogatories, without objection, within ten days of the date of this letter, or within some other date as our offices can work out, or we will have no alternative except to file a motion to compel responses to those interrogatories.

Special Interrogatories 2, 3, 5, 6, 8 and 9, all merited the same identical "boilerplate" objection, but with an assurance that plaintiffs will identify all non-privileged documents responsive to that interrogatory. As we understand *Code of Civil Procedure* Section 2030(f)(2), a party responding to interrogatories has an option to allow the interrogating party to inspect and copy records if the answer to the interrogatory would necessitate making a compilation or summary of information contained in such records. No such statement it made with respect to these interrogatories, and in any respect, the statement that is included is not made under oath as required by the Code. *See Deyo v. Kilbourne* (1978) 84 Cal.App.3d 771, 784. The responding party must also, when exercising the "document inspection" option, specify or refer to Section 2030(f)(2) as the basis of the response. No such reference was made. Furthermore, you failed to specify the documents from which the answer may be derived or ascertained. The responding party must describe the records from which the compilation or summary can be made with sufficient particularity that they can be easily located.

In sum, we believe this reference to records has been improperly made and that therefore your clients' ability to utilize this option has been waived. We would therefore demand that substantive responses be made to the Special Interrogatories, Set No. One, within ten days of the date of this letter (or some other date that we may mutually agree to) or we will have no alternative but to bring a motion to compel those responses. Again, we will seek sanctions for those efforts.

Requests for Production, Set One.

The third set of discovery requests are the those seeking the production of documents, set one. Again, these were served on June 4, 1999, with responses due to be served on or before July 9, 1999.

To each of the three requests, you lodged the identical objections.

First, you claim that the requests are defective because they are not complete in and of themselves. This language comes from Section 2030, the section governing the proper form of interrogatories. Section 2030(c)(5). You will note, however, that Section 2031, that governing production requests, has no similar language. *See* Section 2031(c). What this obviously signifies is that the Legislature allowed for production requests not to be complete in and of themselves, but may, in fact, reference other material.

So far as you claim that the request is vague, ambiguous, unintelligible, etc., you did not lodge similar objections to the interrogatories to which these requests refer. Your position is thus untenable since you evidently had no problem comprehending the interrogatories which, in responding to the requests for production, you claim are unintelligible.

As to your objections regarding privileges, both attorney and work product as well as your clients' rights of privacy, I think it important to refer to the subject matter of the interrogatories as to which documents are being sought. Interrogatory Nos. 1, 5 and 8 seek information about your clients' damages. It appears to be your position that you may avoid discovery on the issue of damages but presumably may submit evidence in this regard at the time of trial. This contradictory position makes your objections untenable since it would eviscerate the Discovery Act.

Lastly, you again reassert your position that the production on the time schedule per the Code is onerous. That argument has been dealt with above and the same rationale as to the impropriety of this objection also applies here.

Judicial Council Form Interrogatories to Creque

We initially served Form Interrogatories upon your client, George Creque, to which you objected on the basis that the little box beside "Incident" on the first page was not checked. Although we took issue with your objection on the basis that if anyone should know what "Incident" means, the plaintiffs should; we re-served The Second Set of Form Interrogatories, with the little box appropriately checked. To date, we have received no responses to the Second Set and these responses are now overdue. Please provide substantive responses within ten days of the date of this letter (or such other time as we may work out) or we will bring a motion compelling these responses together with seeking sanctions.

Special Interrogatories to Creque, Set One

On May 4, 1999, we served upon George Creque Special Interrogatories, Set One. The response, served on June 8, 1999, contained nothing but objections (identical for each request) which we maintain are all unfounded.

First, you claim the requests are overbroad, vague, ambiguous with respect to the term "YOU" and "YOUR." These terms come directly from the Judicial Council Form Interrogatories, and we believe you will be hard-pressed to convince a court that these "bullet-proof" terms possess these qualities. Moreover, this particular set is directly specifically to George Creque; there can be no legitimate basis for confusion.

Next, you claim that the interrogatories have the same defects with respect to the terms "total amount of damages," "each element or item of damage," and "the method(s)". These questions all have as a foundation the damages, if any, claimed to have been suffered by your clients, and assume the normal and everyday definitions utilized with these terms. Your objections are, thus, manufactured. Further, you had no difficulty formulating a Statement of Damages for each of your clients which was filed and served with the Complaint. All we are seeking is information which has purportedly already been developed.

Next, you contend that the requests violate your clients' privileges of various sorts. The inherent defect of raising these objections in discovery has been considered above and applies with equal force here.

The objection that these interrogatories call for speculation is curious indeed. It is well founded that speculative damages cannot be recovered. To the extent that your client is claiming damages, we are entitled to information within his possession in that regard.

Lastly, you object that the interrogatories are overbroad because of the claimed complexity of the complaint. Boiled down to its essence, your client contends that my client caused him damage by the infusion of harmful substances into the land, air, or water. That is not complex. If our client caused your client damage of some sort, all we ask is that you reveal what that damage was.

Supplemental responses are in order, and unless we have heard from you by the close of business on July 22, 1999, that (1) you will extend our time to bring a motion while we further confer, or (2) we receive written assurance that supplemental responses will be forthcoming by a date upon which we can agree, or (3) we make other arrangements for dealing with this matter, we will file a motion to compel further responses.

Special Interrogatories to Creque, Set No. Two

On June 9, we served Special Interrogatories to George Creque, Set No. Two. No responses have been received. Please provide full and complete responses, without objections, within ten days of the date of this letter (or such other time as we may work out) or we will bring a motion to compel.

Requests for Production, Sets One and Two

The First Set of Requests for Production was served upon your client on June 10, 1999, and the Second Set on June 11, 1999. Of course, responses to both sets are now overdue. Please provide responses to both sets within ten days of the date of this letter (or such other time to which we may agree) or we will file a motion to compel production, seeking at the same time sanctions.

Again, let me reiterate that we have no pressing desire to have to take these matters to court for resolution. That said, we are confident that the Court is not going to idly allow what is becoming a pattern of discovery abuse to go unpunished. As was stated at the outset, our client has been hailed into this action against its will and has been subject to some severe allegations of wrongdoing. We view the function of discovery to ascertain the extent and legitimacy of those claims and to the extent they are ill founded, this action should never have been filed in the first place or should be dismissed immediately.

Again, we will leave with you the responsibility of scheduling further discussions on these issues with our office and we will willingly participate in such a process. In my absence, you may contact my partner, Bart Brizzee. Otherwise, we consider this letter our last such attempt and should we have no communication from you, or supplemental responses (as would be our preference), we will bring these matters before the Court.

Very truly yours,

Duke D. Rouse, of
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RE: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et al.

Policyholder: CoCa Mines Company , Inc.
Policies: SMP 31501167 (12/24/80-12/24/82)
UB 11822059 (6/4/81-6/4/82)
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Dear Mr. Wielga:

I note that Hecla has received and possibly paid legal bills from the lawfirm of Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tildon in connection with the defense of the above referenced matter. As of this date, we have not received any type of update in connection with the status of the litigation. As you know, The Maryland agreed to participate in the defense of this matter and agreed to pay only reasonable and necessary legal fees in this matter. We believe that the rates charged by Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tildon exceed what our company customarily pays for this type of litigation in this area of California. Accordingly, we are adjusting the bills to reflect the hourly rate of $160.00 for the partner responsible for the litigation, $125.00 for associates and $65.00 for paralegals.

We are continuing with the review of the bills that have been submitted Hecla to date. I would appreciate your full help and cooperation in providing any status reports that Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tildon have provided to date.

Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

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Dear Ms. Klawon:

This letter will serve as a follow-up to my previous letter directed to your attention dated January 6, 2000. It is our understanding that you represent Commercial Union. I would appreciate your cooperation in terms of clarifying whether or not Commercial Union may have issued any primary policies of insurance to CoCa Mines. I look forward to discussing this with you at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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RE: Matter: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company , Inc., et al.

Dear Mr. Galbavy:

Thank you for your correspondence dated September 9, 1999 regarding the above referenced matter. It is my understanding that Hecla has approved the July invoice and has incurred $10,444.37 for these two invoices. As you are aware, our company has agreed to participate in the defense of CoCa Mines subject to a full and complete reservation of rights. As you are further aware, our policy period as referenced in my previous correspondence extends from 12/24/80 through 12/24/82. We anticipate that you have tendered the defense of this matter to the other insurers of CoCa Mines and/or other Hecla affiliates that are being defended in this matter to seek their participation in connection with these costs. I would appreciate have the opportunity to further discuss these issues with you at your earliest possible convenience. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Re: Matter: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc. et al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy No.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82

Dear Mr. Edwards:

This is in response to your letter of July 30, 1999 to Michael B. White at Hecla Mining Company. Thank you for agreeing to participate in the defense of the CoCa Mines, Inc., subject to the statements in your letter.

You asked for an explanation of the relation between CoCa Mines, Inc. and the other defendants. A corporation with the specific name of "CoCa Mines, Inc. of Denver" does not exist. It is our belief that this is simply an attempt by the Plaintiffs to accurately name CoCa Mines, Inc. Cactus Gold Mines Company is a joint venture between CoCa Mines, Inc. and Compass Mining, Inc. CoCa Mines, Inc. is the managing venturer of that joint venture. MBPL is limited partnership of which CoCa Mines, Inc. is the general partner and William Carey and Thomas Cogden are the limited partners. Hecla Mining Company is now the sole shareholder of CoCa Mines, Inc. Those are the only defendants related to CoCa Mines, Inc. in the lawsuit.

Attachment A is an insurance coverage chart for CoCa Mines, Inc. covering the period from December 1980 to July 1986. It is based on records we believe to be sufficient, but we cannot represent it as an authoritative statement of coverage. Demand has been made on the companies with the policies described on Attachment B. We have received your response on policies 1, 2 and 3. We have also received a response from GenStar on its policy (number 10 on the list) denying coverage based on an "absolute" pollution exclusion contained in an endorsement. We have not yet had a response from the other carriers.

A demand was made by Hecla Mining Company on its insurers, Great Northern Insurance Company, Federal Insurance Company and Vigilant Insurance Company, which are part of the Chubb Insurance Group. A demand was made on the Federal/Vigilant policy number 7313-26-26 which had a $1,000,000 occurrence and aggregate limit and on the Federal Northern policy 3710-76-30 which had a $1,000,000 occurrence and a $2,000,000 aggregate limit for general liability and $100,000 aggregate and occurrence limit for pollution coverage. Coverage was denied based on the policies' pollution exclusions. Pollution coverage was denied based on the assertion that the pollution incident at issue began before the policy period started in January 1997.

You should contact Duke Rouse at the Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden firm in San Bernadino. His phone number is (909) 884-2171 and his address is 600 North Arrowhead Avenue, Suite 300, San Bernadino, California 92401-1148.

We understand that you are agreeing to participate in CoCa Mines, Inc.'s defense subject to the conditions and reservations of rights stated in your letter. Of course, our acceptance of the defense does not constitute a waiver of CoCa Mines, Inc.'s rights under the Policies, and we take exception to the restrictions and reservations contained in your letter.

If you have any questions about the information in this letter, please contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Mark Wielga

cc: Michael B. White, Esq.
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July 30, 1999

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This letter will serve as a follow-up to my previous correspondence directed to your attention dated June 21, 1999. In addition, we received a complete copy of the above referenced complaint from Mark Wielga, an attorney at Dorsey & Whitney. Please be advised that we have located copies of documents which evidence the issuance of the above referenced policies to CoCa Mines for the periods referenced in the caption of this correspondence. Based upon our review of the documents which evidence the policies as well as the allegations in the complaint, please be advised that we will participate in the defense of CoCa Mines subject to a full and complete reservation of rights as delineated in this correspondence. In my review of the complaint, I note that there are several other defendants that have been named in this matter. I would appreciate an explanation as to what relationship these entities have with Hecla Mining Company. In addition, please explain the business relationship between Hecla Mining Company and CoCa Mines. Please be advised that we only have an obligation to participate in the defense of CoCa Mines and we do not have information which suggests or indicates that any of the other entities which may be part of Hecla were ever part of CoCa Mines or insureds under the above referenced policies.

In light of this fact, we anticipate that you have placed all of the insurers for Hecla Mining on notice of this matter as well as any other entity named as a defendant which Hecla Mining may have acquired over the years to seek their participation in the defense of this matter as well. I would appreciate your help and cooperation in terms of providing an insurance profile for the various entities if in fact they are associated with Hecla Mining. Please indicate what response, if any, you have had in connection with the tender of the defense of this matter with Hecla's other insurers.

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We understand that Greshum, Savage, Nolan & Tildon in San Berardino has been retained to evaluate this matter and prepare an answer. I would appreciate your help and cooperation in terms of providing me with the name of the partner responsible for this matter as well as his phone number and address so we may further discuss our participation in the defense of this matter. I would like to have the opportunity to discuss various administrative matters related to the defense such as hourly rates.

As a preliminary matter, please be advised that The Maryland will not pay for any legal fees incurred prior to the tender of this matter. In my review of the complaint, I note that this is a first amended complaint and was most likely served earlier this year. We will not be responsible for the legal fees incurred prior to June 11, 1999 which is the date of your correspondence advising The Maryland of this matter.

The primary Maryland policy above policy (SMP 31501167) contains General Liability Coverage Form MP 0093, edition 7-77. The insuring agreement provides:

> **SECTION II LIABILITY COVERAGE**
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> **BODILY INJURY LIABILITY**
> **PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY**
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> **1.** The Company will pay on behalf of the **insured** all sums which the **insured** shall become legally obligated to pay as damages because of
>
> > **bodily injury** or
> > **property damage**
>
> to which this insurance applies, caused by an **occurrence**, and arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of the **insured premises** and all operations necessary or incidental to the business of the **named insured** conducted at or from the **insured premises**, and the company shall have the right and duty to defend any suit against the **insured** seeking damages on account of such **bodily injury** or **property damage**, even if any of the allegations of the suit are groundless, false or fraudulent, and may make such investigation and settlement of any claim or suit as it deems expedient, but the company shall not be obligated to pay any claim or judgment or to defend any suit after the applicable limit of the company's liability has been exhausted by payment of judgments or settlements.

The Maryland policy defines "bodily injury", "property damage" and "occurrence" as follows:

> **"occurrence"** means an accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to conditions, which results in **bodily injury** or **property damage** neither expected nor

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intended from the standpoint of the **insured**.

"Bodily injury" means bodily injury, sickness or disease sustained by any person which occurs during the policy period, including death at any time resulting therefrom.

"property damage" means (1) physical injury to or destruction of tangible property which occurs during the policy period, including the loss of use thereof at any time resulting therefrom, or (2) loss of use of tangible property which has not been physically injured or destroyed provided such loss of use is caused by an **occurrence** during the policy period.

The Maryland reserves the right to assert that the matters alleged and complained of in the above referenced complaint do not constitute claims for damages as contemplated by a general liability policy. Certain claims for injunctive relief, including prophylactic measures to prevent future pollution, clearly are not damages, and therefore, are not subject to coverage.

The Maryland also reserves the right to assert that it is a policy requirement that "bodily injury" and "property damage" transpire during the policy periods resulting from an "occurrence". To the extent that any alleged injuries and/or property damage transpired subsequent to The Maryland policy periods, coverage would not apply. Further, any such injuries must be the result of an "occurrence" as defined in the policy. The Maryland reserves the right to assert that any contamination in and around the site which is the subject of this litigation may not have been the result of an "occurrence".

The Maryland policies also contain various exclusions which may apply. Specifically, I call your attention to the pollution exclusion which is exclusion f. Exclusion f. states:

This insurance does not apply:

(f) to **bodily injury** or **property damage** arising out of the discharge, dispersal, release or escape of smoke, vapors, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, toxic chemicals, liquids or gases, waste materials or other irritants, contaminants or pollutants into or upon land, the atmosphere or other water course or body of water; but this exclusion does not apply if such discharge, dispersal, release or escape is sudden and accidental.

The Maryland reserves the right to assert that any contamination in and around the property was not the result of sudden and accidental releases of pollutants within the meaning of the exclusion. Accordingly, the pollution exclusion may bar coverage for all or part of the claims asserted in this matter.

The Maryland policy also contains an owned premises exclusion which bars coverage for any

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remediation which may be required in connection with property that may have been owned by CoCa Mines which may include part of the property where the operations were conducted. There may be various other policy terms, conditions and exclusions which may also serve to bar coverage. Specifically, The Maryland reserves the right to assert that it may not have been provided notice of this matter in accordance with the policy conditions. It appears that your company had notice of this lawsuit in February of 1999 and perhaps earlier depending upon when the initial complaint was filed. The Maryland reserves the right to assert that coverage does not apply because notice was not tendered on a timely basis.

Please be advised that The Maryland reserves the right to seek reimbursement of defenses costs incurred in this matter should it be determined that coverage does not apply.

Finally, please be advised that punitive damages are not subject to coverage.

The Maryland's reservations as delineated in this correspondence should not be deemed or construed as exhaustive listing of all policy terms, conditions and exclusions which may apply. The Maryland reserves the right to supplement our reservations should additional information, currently unknown to The Maryland be obtained at a later date. Should you have any questions about The Maryland's participation, please feel free to contact the undersigned at your earliest convenience. In the meantime, we look forward to receiving the information requested in this correspondence at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Matter: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc. et al.

Dear Mr. Edwards:

This is in response to your letter of July 16, 1999. Enclosed is a complete copy of the original Complaint and of the recently filed Second Amended Complaint. Please contact me if you need any other information about this case.

Sincerely,

Mark Wielga

cc: John Galbavy, Esq. (w/o Encls.)

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GEORGE CREQUE, JR. and those Plaintiffs listed on the attached document identified as Exhibit 1, and incorporated herein, Plaintiffs, vs. CACTUS GOLD MINES COMPANY, INC.; CACTUS GOLD MINES COMPANY, A JOINT VENTURE; CACTUS GOLD MINES, INC. OF KERN COUNTY; COCA MINES, INC.; COCA MINES, INC. OF DENVER; HECKLA MINING COMPANY, INC.; BROWN & ROOT, INC.; SHUMAKE OPERATIONS; MERRILL-CROWE; GOLDEN QUEEN MINING COMPANY; COMPASS MINING, INC.; MBPL, A BUSINESS ENTITY, FORM UNKNOWN; SAINT MARY PARISH LAND COMPANY; MINVIN GOLD CORPORATION; CHARLES ASTON, SCOTT BENNETT, JIM BRADY, MICHAEL FISHER; and DOES 1 through 2000, inclusive, Defendants.	CASE NO. 235323 SPC *Filed Via Facsimile* COMPLAINT FOR COMPENSATORY AND PUNITIVE DAMAGES; AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

Plaintiffs GEORGE CREQUE, JR and those plaintiffs listed on the attached Exhibit 1, incorporated herein, hereby allege the following:

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FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION - VARIOUS TORTS AND OTHER BREACHES

(By all Plaintiffs, against Defendants and each of them.)

1. This suit is brought by the Plaintiffs listed in the caption and those Plaintiffs listed in Exhibit 1, incorporated by reference herein. Plaintiffs seek compensatory and punitive damages and injunctive relief arising from acts and/or omissions both in the past and which are presently ongoing and continuous, and which Plaintiffs are informed and believe will continue indefinitely into the future. Said acts and/or omissions emanate and/or arise out of and will continue to emanate and/or arise out of mining, smelting, processing of minerals and other substances and geological components, the utilization of cyanide technology, and/or related activities at or about real property, commonly and collectively referred to as "The Cactus Gold Mines Project Area." Those plaintiffs listed in the caption and in the exhibit incorporated by reference have suffered personal injuries as a result of the acts and omissions herein. This suit is also brought by plaintiffs who are the owners and/or otherwise have possessory interest in parcels of real property adjacent, contiguous to, adjoining and/or otherwise in proximity to the Cactus Gold Mines Project Area. Plaintiffs seek compensation for "injury" to these parcels of real property as a result of the acts and omissions of defendants and each of them, which caused severe environmental contamination and pollution Said contamination and pollution has specifically damaged the real properties listed in the attached Exhibit.

2. Defendants, Does 1 through 2000, inclusive, are unknown to Plaintiffs who therefore sue said Defendants by such fictitious names and will ask leave of Court to amend this Complaint to show the true names and capacities, whether corporate, individual, partnership, association or otherwise, were some way at fault and/or otherwise liable, tortiously, contractually, or otherwise for the injuries and/or damages (both to Plaintiffs' person and/or property) sustained by the individual Plaintiffs herein.

3. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that each of the Defendants designated as Does 1 through 2000, inclusive, are in some way responsible for the injuries and damages sustained by Plaintiffs herein.

4. Defendants named in the caption are generally described as follows:

A. At any and all relevant times between 1960 through the present, Defendants Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc.; Cactus Gold Mines Company, a Joint Venture; Cactus Gold Mines, Inc. of Kern County; CoCa Mines, Inc.; CoCa Mines, Inc. of Denver; and Does 1 through 100, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Cactus"), owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

B. At any and all relevant times between 1960 through the present, Defendants Heckla Mining Company, Inc. and Does 101-125, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Heckla") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

C. Defendants Brown & Root, Inc. and Does 126-150, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Brown") were involved in various tortious ways and are otherwise at fault relative to the machinery, equipment, and/or other devices used within the Cactus Mine operation. Plaintiffs are further informed and believe that defendants Brown were at all relevant times since 1986 through the present engaged and/or otherwise contracted to perform various activities relative to the Cactus Mine operation,

including but not limited to dirt hauling, blasting, stacking, ore handling, and/or other activities according to proof.

D. At and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Shumake Operations and Does 151-175, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Shumake") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

E. Defendants Merrill-Crowe and Does 176-200, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Merrill") manufactured, sold, retailed, distributed, designed, integrated, and/or were otherwise an integral part of the stream of commerce of various products used in the Cactus Mine venture; and/or were involved in various tortious ways and are otherwise at fault relative to the machinery, equipment, and/or other devices used within the Cactus Mine operation.

F. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Golden Queen Mining Company and Does 201 through 225, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Golden Queen") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

G. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Compass Mining, Inc. and Does 226 through 250, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Compass Mining") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

H. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants MBPL, a business entity form unknown, and Does 251 through 275, inclusive (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants MBPL") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

I. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Saint Mary Parish Land Company and Does 276 through 300, inclusive (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Saint Mary Parish") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise

controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

J. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Minvin Gold Corporation and Does 325 through 350, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Minvin") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

K. At any and all relevant times, DOES 351-400, inclusive, acted in the capacity of engineers relative to the operation of Cactus Mines.

L. At any and all relevant times, DOES 401-450, inclusive, acted in the capacity of contractors relative to the operation of Cactus Mines.

M. At any and all relevant times, DOES 451-500, inclusive, supplied and/or otherwise were an integral part of the stream of commerce of products, machinery, and/or other items used relative to the operation of Cactus Mines.

N. At any and all relevant times, DOES 501-550, inclusive, were safety consultants for and relative to the operation of Cactus Mines.

O. At any and all relevant times, DOES 551-600, inclusive, were owners, possessors, occupiers, and/or otherwise were in control of Cactus Mines.

P. Defendants Charles Aston, Scott Bennett, Jim Brady, Michael Fisher, and various other individuals and/or entities designated herein as DOES. 601-750, inclusive, managed, supervised, oversaw, developed policies and practices, were responsible for, and/or were an integral part of the operation of Cactus Mines.

Q. Defendants DOES 751-2000, inclusive, were individuals and/or entities who were somehow responsible for, tortiously or otherwise, the injuries and damages to plaintiffs herein and their respective properties (real and/or personal).

5. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that at all times mentioned herein, Defendants, and each of them, were the agents, principals, partners, associates, joint venturers, employees and/or co-conspirators of each of the remaining co-defendants; that the Defendants, and each of them, were at all times acting within the course, purpose and scope of said agency, partnership, association, joint venture employment and/or conspiracy and that Defendants and each of them were acting with the authorization, permission and/or consent of the remaining co-Defendants.

6. At any and all relevant times herein and beginning in 1960 and continuing through the present, the defendants herein participated in various ways in the operation of the Cactus/Shumake mining operation. The mining operation in question caused the dissemination of harmful substances into the environment. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants against whom this suit is asserted knew at least as early as 1989 that the activities arising at or about the subject real property were creating a significant negative environmental impact from a health and safety perspective; and that same was causing an/or contributing to substantial damage to real property which adjoined, was adjacent to, or otherwise in proximity to the Cactus/Shumake Mines. Unfortunately, the acts and omissions giving rise to this suit are ongoing as of this filing, and plaintiffs are informed and believe that said acts and omissions will continue continuously and/or indefinitely into the future. Hence, not only are compensatory and punitive damages sought herein, but request is also made for abatement and injunctive relief.

7. Defendants and each of them acted tortiously in many ways, proximately resulting in personal injuries to plaintiffs, their offspring, and to plaintiffs' property (real and personal). The following acts and/or omissions of defendants and each of them, which are listed by way only of example and not by limitation, give rise to any and all of the following causes of action:

A. General negligence -- Defendants and each of them owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise engaged in acts and/or omissions relative to the Cactus/Shumake Mine operation, which activities included and continue to include goldmining, refining, smelting, and other related activities according to proof. These activities resulted in and continue to cause the introduction, dissemination and/or placement into the general environment of numerous toxic substances, compounds, contaminants and/or pollutants, including mercury and other chemicals. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that these toxic substances were disseminated and/or otherwise related into the environment as part and parcel and/or a byproduct and secondary to the operations and activities occurring at and about the Cactus/Shumake Mines referenced above. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that the introduction into the environment of the harmful chemicals occurred in several different ways, including, but not limited to the allowance of the introduction of contaminants into the generalized environment by specific miners themselves; and by the improper management of byproducts, including mercury into the environment.

Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants and each of them were fully aware of the fact that there are severe hazards due to mercury introduction or contamination as a secondary result of mining and related activities; and, the defendants and each of them knew at all relevant times that plaintiffs would not be aware of the cause of their injury and damages due to the fact that there are no "warning properties" relative to exposure to mercury. Defendants and each of them specifically kept secret and/or concealed this state of affairs from plaintiffs and numerous others in furtherance of pecuniary and financial gain, but at the same time, plaintiffs are informed and believe defendants knew that the concealment thereof had a high probability of resulting in severe, significant, and enduring personal injuries and damages. The management of the property was grossly negligent because the release and dissemination of contaminants, pollutants, chemicals and other substances could have been easily avoided, but as alluded to above, plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants and each of them opted not to take appropriate prophylactic measures.

Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants were negligent in numerous other ways as well relative to the management, supervision, ownership, and/or control of the subject property.

Plaintiffs are further informed and believe that defendants and each of them utilized improper equipment, machinery and other devices so as to effectuate and maintain a proper level of safety and overall control of the release and dissemination of contaminants, pollutants, chemicals, toxins, and/or other substances, including mercury.

To the extent that various defendants and each of them were responsible for controlling and/or eliminating environmental pollutants such as mercury, defendants were negligent.

To the extent that various defendants designed and/or engineered the mining operation or procedures to be utilized, said defendants acted negligently.

Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants were negligent in numerous other ways according to proof.

B. Nuisance -- A public and/or private nuisance was created by the use of the properties as briefly described above.

C. Trespass -- Due to the fact that the various contaminants, toxins, pollutants and other substances, including mercury, were disseminated and released into the environment, and those pollutants ultimately interfered with the comfortable use and enjoyment of the plaintiffs' real property and the general environment, trespass of a past, present and continuing nature has occurred. In effect, harmful and hazardous materials have been allowed to escape from the confines of the subject real property into the generalized environment used by members of the public at large and residents of adjacent and/or adjoining properties, many of which were owned or occupied by plaintiffs herein.

D. Statutory violations -- The above acts and omissions of defendants and each of them violated numerous local, state and/or federal statutes and regulations according to proof.

E. Ultrahazardous activity -- The activities in question should be classified as a matter of law as ultrahazardous. Of primary import relative to this classification is the fact that the mining operations in question create a high probability of environmental contamination with significant ramifications from a health and safety perspective.

F. Strict liability -- To the extent that various defendants were an integral part of the stream of commerce of various products, machines and/or devices used in the subject operation and in particular those that caused mercury or other toxic substances to be released into the environment and/or allowed them to be disseminated into the environment, said defendants are strictly liable in tort for product defects.

G. Other torts and bases of liability according to proof.

8. As referenced above, the environmental pollution that was occurring was done without the knowledge of plaintiffs and was specifically covered up and/or concealed by defendants. Notwithstanding the fact that plaintiffs herein at all times exercised reasonable care, plaintiffs, however, did not become aware of the cause and/or nexus between the activities at the subject property and their injuries within a year of filing of this action. Plaintiffs exercised reasonable care in assessing

9. As referenced above, defendants' use, management, ownership, and/or control of the Cactus/Shumake Mines has resulted in severe environmental contamination and pollution constituting a public and private nuisance, the abatement of which is hereby sought.

10. As a proximate and/or legal result of the acts and/or omissions of defendants and each of them, plaintiffs suffered various forms of injury and damage, including, but not limited to the following:

A. Each individually named plaintiff suffered personal injury, necessitating past, present and/or future medical and health care.

B. Each individually named plaintiff has suffered past and/or future loss of earnings and/or impairment of earning capacity.

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C. Each individually named plaintiff suffered and/or sustained pain and suffering and/or other general damage as a result of personal injury inflicted upon said plaintiff in a nature, scope, extent or degree according to proof.

D. Each individually named plaintiff suffered various other forms of injury and damage as a proximate result of and/or secondary to his or her personal injury.

E. With regard to each property listed in Exhibit 1, said properties were damaged as a result of environmental contamination, pollution and/or exposure to toxic substances. Substantial "clean up" and/or other remedial measures have and/or will be necessary. Further, the market value of all of these properties, and for that matter the area as a whole, has been substantially impaired and diminished. To the extent that plaintiffs are presently able to estimate, loss and damage to those properties listed in Exhibit 1, said properties collectively have been damaged in the amount of 100 million dollars, or other amount according to proof.

F. Other damages according to proof.

11. Plaintiffs have suffered injury and damage in the form of emotional distress, worry and concern caused by the acts and/or omissions of defendants. The various adult plaintiffs herein who are the parents and/or guardians of minor plaintiffs are very worried and concerned about the condition, manifested or otherwise, of said minor plaintiffs caused by the irresponsible acts and omissions of defendants.

12. Plaintiffs reserve the right to make claim damages for injury to their offspring, where applicable. Further, plaintiffs certainly make claim for emotional distress, worry and concern caused by the mere possibility that their offspring, where applicable, have been damaged.

13. Plaintiffs are entitled to exemplary and/or punitive damages as a result of the acts and/or omissions of defendants against whom this complaint is asserted. The specific facts supporting this request are set forth above, but suffice it to say that in a nutshell, defendants placed their own pecuniary interests on a much higher priority ladder than the health and safety of plaintiffs and other members of the general public. Defendants' refusal to abate the problems in question and their decision to conceal same from interested persons, including plaintiffs and

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other members of the general public constituted acts and omissions clearly done maliciously and/or with a conscious disregard for both the rights and/or the safety of plaintiffs.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray for judgment as follows:

(1) For compensatory, general, special, consequential, and incidental damages, in an amount according to proof;

(2) For costs of suit, including reasonable attorney's fee, where appropriate;

(3) For fines or fees associated with statutory violations;

(4) For pre-judgement and/or post-judgement interest at the legal rate;

(5) For abatement and injunctive relief;

(6) For exemplary/punitive damages pursuant to Civil Code §3294; and,

(7) For such other further relief that the court deems just and proper.

Date: December 8, 1997

STEVEN L. ZELIG & ASSOCIATES

By:_____
Steven L. Zelig
Attorney for Plaintiffs

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CACTUS MINE LITIGATION
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Judge

THE SUPERIOR COURT
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COUNTY OF KERN

TO: All Counsel

From: Judge Chapin, Department 11

SUBJECT: CourtCall Telephonic Appearances by Attorneys for Status Conference and Law & Motion Calendars (Department 11 only)

For appearances commencing on and after February 3, 1997, this Department now permits CourtCall Telephonic Appearances for Status Conferences and Law & Motion matters ("CourtCall Appearances"). CourtCall Appearances do not require consent of opposing counsel, however, they are fully voluntary and no attorney is required to make an appearance telephonically. CourtCall, LLC, is the Program Administrator for CourtCall Appearances.

Our goal in initiating CourtCall Appearances is to increase and improve access to the court, to reduce the overall cost of litigation, and to provide a means by which judges and attorneys are enabled to make more efficient use of their time.

CourtCall Appearances will be permitted in this Department for all Status Conferences and for all Law & Motion matters. Ex Parte matters and/or matters where oral testimony will be taken are excluded. Counsel may make a CourtCall Appearance by serving on all other parties, and delivering (via fax, mail, or personal delivery) to CourtCall, LLC, not less than five (5) court days prior to the hearing date, a Request for CourtCall Appearance Form and by paying a fee of $40.00 for each CourtCall Appearance. All delivery and payment procedures are set forth in the attached instruction sheet entitled "How to Use CourtCall." CourtCall Appearances are conducted in conformity with the CourtCall Telephonic Appearance Rule, which is available for pick-up in this Department or by calling CourtCall, LLC at (310) 914-7884 or (888) 88-COURT. For information about CourtCall, please call CourtCall, LLC, not this Department.

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Filling Out The Form

1. Serve: Not less than 5 Court Days Before The Hearing fill out the original of the Request for CourtCall Appearance (the "Form"). Retain the original form in your file. DO NOT FILE IT WITH THE COURT. Check the box indicating the method of payment of the fee;

2. Fax to CourtCall, LLC: Fax a copy of the first page of the Form to CourtCall, LLC not less than 5 Court days prior to the hearing. Do not fail to do so, as the CourtCall Calendar is set through these faxes!!;

3. Payment by Credit Card: Fill out credit card information *only* on the copy faxed to CourtCall, LLC, and have that copy SIGNED by the PERSON WHOSE NAME IS ON THE CREDIT CARD.

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* Call the dedicated TOLL FREE number on your confirmation 5 minutes prior to the scheduled hearing time.. NEVER USE A CELLULAR OR PAY PHONE. If prompted, dial your 6-digit Access Code.** You will be advised whether you are joining the call in progress or if you are the first to call.

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* After check in wait until your case is called. Use your speakerphone while waiting if you are able to mute the microphone to eliminate ambient noise. When your case is called you MUST USE THE HANDSET. Identify yourself each time you speak and use common courtesy.

* If you are the first person on the call be patient, even if you experience silence, as the Clerk will join the call in due course. As others join you will hear a mild "beep-beep" indicating others are on the line. Until your case is called do not speak other than with the Clerk. ** If the Clerk does not join the call within 10 minutes after your scheduled hearing time, call CourtCall, LLC on our toll free Help Line and we will be happy to assist you.

**If the confirmation from CourtCall does not list an access code with your assigned teleconference number, your matter will be heard privately, not in open court. The 5 minute check-in period will be conducted by an AT&T Operator who will conduct the conference in accordance with the Court's instructions. You will be placed on "music-on-hold" while you wait for the Judge to call your matter. The rules regarding cell phones and use of handsets apply.

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2. Not less than five court days prior to hearing, a copy of this document was served on all other parties and faxed to CourtCall, LLC, Telephonic Appearance Program Administrator.

3. The non-refundable Telephonic Appearance Fee in the sum of $40 (plus additional fee of $20 if late filing is accepted) is paid as follows:

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF KERN

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Plaintiff(s): GEORGE CREQUE, JR	NO. 235323-SPC
Defendant(s): CACTUS GOLD MINES COMPANY, INC, ET AL	ENTERED [ ]

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT TO JUDGE FOR ALL PURPOSES AND NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE

By order of the presiding judge, the above entitled case is assigned to Judge SIDNEY P. CHAPIN for all purposes. It will be managed on the Direct Calendar Program in Department 11 until its conclusion. Peremptory challenges, if any, must be made within the times set out in CCP Section 170.6.

Please include the initials "SPC" after the case number on all future pleadings filed in this case.

TO EACH PARTY AND TO THE ATTORNEY OF RECORD FOR EACH PARTY IN THIS ACTION:

THIS CASE IS SET FOR STATUS CONFERENCE, BY THE HON. SIDNEY P. CHAPIN ON MONDAY MAY 26, 1998, AT 8:00 A.M. IN DEPARTMENT 11 OF THIS COURT.

APPEARANCE BY THE ATTORNEY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TRIAL OF THIS ACTION IS MANDATORY.

TERRY McNALLY
CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

DATE: December 16, 1997

By _____Deputy
Y. L. JOHNSON

NOTICE TO PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL

IMPORTANT: You are required to serve this notice of assignment and status conference date with the service of the summons and complaint.

NOTICE TO CROSS COMPLAINANT'S COUNSEL

IMPORTANT: If you are bringing a cross complaint against new parties, you are, likewise, required to serve this notice on the new cross defendants.

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The clerk of the Superior Court's office has received a civil complaint from you for filing. Pursuant to the Trial Court Delay Reduction Act, your case has been assigned to the Honorable SIDNEY P. CHAPIN as monitoring judge.

Judge Chapin has instituted a direct calendaring system for all cases assigned to him as the monitoring judge.

All Law & Motion, Status & Trial Setting Conferences, Ex Parte matters & Trials will be scheduled before him in Department 11. This will involve all cases in which the clerk has assigned the initials "SPC" to the complaint at the time of filing. Counsel are expected to make the initials of the monitoring judge a part of the case number on all pleadings & papers.

Judge Chapin expects that all Law & Motion hearings to be heard by him to be set within five days of the earliest date they may be heard, given mail notice of hearing. LAW & MOTION MATTERS DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRE-CLEARED. You may calendar motions as scheduled below. EX PARTE MATTERS REQUIRE PRE-CLEARANCE.

At the time of filing the complaint, plaintiff's counsel will be given a Notice of Status Conference which sets a conference approximately 180 days after filing of the complaint. This notice must be served with the summons & complaint on all defendants. Defendants must serve the notice on all cross-defendants named. The notice must also be served on intervenors & lien claimants.

As of February 3, 1997, telephonic appearances for Status Conferences and Law & Motion hearings will be available through Court Call. Toll Free: (888) 88-COURT.

Another judge will hear settlement conferences in cases assigned to Judge Chapin. However, those cases that do not settle will be set for trial before him.

To confirm any hearing on calendar, check on tentative rulings, for general questions regarding cases assigned to Judge Chapin, or to pre-clear an Ex-Parte hearing, contact: Eileen Imgrund @ (805) 861-2621 ext 5400.

THE DEPARTMENT 11 CALENDAR WILL BE:

STATUS/TRIAL SETTING CONFERENCES	8:00 AM	DAILY
LAW & MOTION/DEFAULT/OSC HEARINGS	8:30 AM	DAILY
TRIALS	9:00 AM- 4:30PM	MON - THURS
SETTLEMENT CONFERENCES & PRETRIAL CONFERENCES	9:00 AM- 4:30PM	FRIDAYS
EX-PARTE	8:30 AM	MON - THURS

Very Truly Yours

TERRY McNALLY, Clerk of Superior Court

KERN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

SPECIAL RULES RELATING TO STATUS CONFERENCES

At least 15 days prior to the status conference, each party shall prepare, file, and serve on each other party a status conference report providing the court with the following information:

1. The "at-issue" status of the case including any new parties that may be contemplated.
2. A brief statement of the type of case and the general facts or contentions.
3. A description of the discovery done to date and that contemplated to be done.
4. Estimated time for trial and whether a jury is demanded.
5. Whether or not the case is entitled to priority in trial setting and if so, the legal authority therefor.
6. An evaluation of the case for alternative dispute resolution including arbitration (judicial or binding), mediation or private judge handling.
7. If a personal injury action, a description of the injuries sustained by each plaintiff and the elements of claim damage.
8. If a non-personal injury action, the elements of claimed damage and the amounts thereof.
9. A statement of any settlement negotiations undertaken thus far.
10. The name of the attorney primarily responsible for the case of behalf of the party filing the report.

More than one party may join in the filing of a single report.

The status conference shall be attended by the attorney primarily responsible for the case on behalf of each party or a member of his or her firm or counsel formally associated in the case. The attorney attending shall be thoroughly familiar with the case, and be able to engage in meaningful discussions with court and counsel, and to enter into agreements on behalf of his or her client on the following subjects.

1. The "at-issue" status of the case including the dismissal of the unnamed doe defendants or cross-defendants by agreement of all parties.
2. Discovery conducted and remaining to be done.
3. Amenability of the case to alternative dispute resolution including, but not limited to, arbitration (judicial or binding), mediation, and private judge handling.
4. Delineation of issues including stipulation of facts not in substantial controversy.
5. Settlement prospects.
6. Setting the matter for trial, pre-trial conferences, settlement conference or further status conference.
7. Any other matters relevant to the processing of the case to a final resolution.

Any violation of these rules shall result in the imposition of substantial sanctions which may include monetary, issue, termination, or other appropriate sanctions.

Plaintiff, GEORGE CREQUE, JR., hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

Each of the following figures are mere estimates and the submitting party reserves the right to amend, supplement and otherwise revise this pleading to reflect further investigation, discovery and/or proof:

1. GENERAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

As this case progresses, it may become apparent that the estimates provided in this statement at this time are not completely accurate, and Plaintiffs therefore reserve the right to amend, supplement, or in any way modify this Statement of Damages to more accurately reflect the amount of damages suffered by Plaintiff herein.

In addition, it must be understood that it is extremely difficult to fix the amount of general damages and/or to predict the exact amount that a jury or trier of fact may award for this category of damages.

Date: October 16, 1998

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TO ALL PARTIES HEREIN AND THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNSEL OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that this matter has been set for a STATUS CONFERENCE

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on October 23, 1998 at 8:30 a.m. in Department 11 of the above listed court.

Dated: October 16, 1998

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Plaintiff, JOHN M. WARD., hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

Each of the following figures are mere estimates and the submitting party reserves the right to amend, supplement and otherwise revise this pleading to reflect further investigation, discovery and/or proof:

1. GENERAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

As this case progresses, it may become apparent that the estimates provided in this statement at this time are not completely accurate, and Plaintiffs therefore reserve the right to amend, supplement, or in any way modify this Statement of Damages to more accurately reflect the amount of damages suffered by Plaintiff herein.

In addition, it must be understood that it is extremely difficult to fix the amount of general damages and/or to predict the exact amount that a jury or trier of fact may award for this category of damages.

Date: October 16, 1998

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Plaintiff, ANNA BELLE WOODY., hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

Each of the following figures are mere estimates and the submitting party reserves the right to amend, supplement and otherwise revise this pleading to reflect further investigation, discovery and/or proof:

1. GENERAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

As this case progresses, it may become apparent that the estimates provided in this statement at this time are not completely accurate, and Plaintiffs therefore reserve the right to amend, supplement, or in any way modify this Statement of Damages to more accurately reflect the amount of damages suffered by Plaintiff herein.

In addition, it must be understood that it is extremely difficult to fix the amount of general damages and/or to predict the exact amount that a jury or trier of fact may award for this category of damages.

Date: October 16, 1998

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Plaintiff, GWEN WOODY., hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

Each of the following figures are mere estimates and the submitting party reserves the right to amend, supplement and otherwise revise this pleading to reflect further investigation, discovery and/or proof:

1. GENERAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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In addition, it must be understood that it is extremely difficult to fix the amount of general damages and/or to predict the exact amount that a jury or trier of fact may award for this category of damages.

Date: October 16, 1998

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CASE NUMBER
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PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of 16 years, having been born on 2-11-82 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Pamela A. Ellis (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my Parent (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Pamela A. Ellis (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: 9-1, 19 98.

Becky Ellis
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Becky A Ellis (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9-1-, 19 98.

Pamela A Ellis
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

—(OVER)—

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PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of 18 years, having been born on 8-9-80 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Pamela A Ellis (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Pamela A Ellis (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: Sept. 1, 19 98.

Daniel D. Ellis
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Daniel D Ellis (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9-1, 19 98.

Pamela A Ellis
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor ~~of~~ the age of 16 years, having been born on 2-13-82 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. ~~Amanda Faivre~~ Anna Sue Burnett (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Anna Sue Burnett (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: 9-2, 19 98.

Anna Sue Burnett
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Amanda P. FAIVRE (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9-2, 19 98.

Anna Sue Burnett
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

—(OVER)—

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ .
(BIRTHDATE)

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ is my _____ .
(NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND)

E. Therefore, I request that _____ be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.
(NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____ , 19_____ .

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ in this action.
(NAME OF MINOR)

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____ , 19_____ .

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I. **PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).**

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

I. **PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).**

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of 18 years, having been born on 12/15/79 (BIRTH DATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. James A. Hooper (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my Father (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that James A. Hooper (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: 9th/14 September, 1998.

Brett Hooper
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Brett Hooper (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9th/14 September, 1998.

James A. Hooper
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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CASE NUMBER
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PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor ~~of~~ the age of 16 years, having been born on 7-30-82 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Joyce Ward (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Joyce Ward (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: 8-2-98, 19____.

Jeremiah Ward
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Jeremiah Ward (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 8-2, 19 98.

Joyce Ward
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

—(OVER)—

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

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A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
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B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ .
(BIRTHDATE)

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ is my _____ .
(NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND)

E. Therefore, I request that _____ be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.
(NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____ , 19_____ .

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ in this action.
(NAME OF MINOR)

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____ , 19_____ .

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B. I am a minor ~~of~~ the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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Plaintiff, JAMES B. WOODY., hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

Each of the following figures are mere estimates and the submitting party reserves the right to amend, supplement and otherwise revise this pleading to reflect further investigation, discovery and/or proof:

1. GENERAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

As this case progresses, it may become apparent that the estimates provided in this statement at this time are not completely accurate, and Plaintiffs therefore reserve the right to amend, supplement, or in any way modify this Statement of Damages to more accurately reflect the amount of damages suffered by Plaintiff herein.

In addition, it must be understood that it is extremely difficult to fix the amount of general damages and/or to predict the exact amount that a jury or trier of fact may award for this category of damages.

Date: October 16, 1998

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Plaintiff, **BRIAN E. ELLIS**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Date: October 16, 1998

STEVEN L. ZELIG & ASSOCIATES

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Plaintiff, BRIAN M. ELLIS, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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In addition, it must be understood that it is extremely difficult to fix the amount of general damages and/or to predict the exact amount that a jury or trier of fact may award for this category of damages.

Date: October 16, 1998

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Plaintiff, PAMELA A. ELLIS, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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1. GENERAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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Date: October 16, 1998

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Plaintiff, BONNIE WARD, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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In addition, it must be understood that it is extremely difficult to fix the amount of general damages and/or to predict the exact amount that a jury or trier of fact may award for this category of damages.

Date: October 16, 1998

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Plaintiff, HEATHER EDMONDS, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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In addition, it must be understood that it is extremely difficult to fix the amount of general damages and/or to predict the exact amount that a jury or trier of fact may award for this category of damages.

Date: October 16, 1998

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Plaintiff, JOHN EDMONDS, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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1. GENERAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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In addition, it must be understood that it is extremely difficult to fix the amount of general damages and/or to predict the exact amount that a jury or trier of fact may award for this category of damages.

Date: October 16, 1998

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Plaintiff, SHELLEY EDMONDS, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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Plaintiff, RIKKI L. ALLEN., hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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Plaintiff, THOMAS EDMONDS, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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Plaintiff, DAVINA R. FISHER, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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Date: October 16, 1998

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Plaintiff, **KRYSTAL C. FISHER,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, MICHAEL K. FISHER, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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Plaintiff, NINA FOX, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, ALEXANDER C. LONGRIFLE, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **NOLAN PAGE MILBURN, SR.**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, RITA ANN MILBURN, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, KATHY DALTON, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **NANCY DAVIDSON,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, KRYSTLE ADAMS., hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **DONALD JONES**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **MARGARET JONES**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **JULIO SANCHEZ-ORSINI,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **MIGNONNE SANCHEZ-ORSINI,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **ALFONSO SANCHEZ,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **ROBIN BREIDING**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, TONI SANCHEZ, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **ANNA SUE BURNETT,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **GEORGE M. BURNETT,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **DEBRA D. SCHERER,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, MILTON ALVISO, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, TIMOTHY L. SCHERER, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **GEARY LEE COOK, JR.,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **PATRICIA ANN COOK,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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2. SPECIAL DAMAGES: $100,000,000.00
3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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Plaintiff, **JOHN V. BREIDING,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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Plaintiff, **MONA LANGAARD,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **JAMES C. STIDHAM,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **JOYCE WARD**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **JAMES HOOPER,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Zurich0000570

Plaintiff, **MARLENE HOOPER,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Zurich0000572

Plaintiff, **PETER D. FERRANTE,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **VERA B. ALVISO**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Zurich0000575

Plaintiff, **RUTH E. FERRANTE,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Zurich0000577

Plaintiff, **JOAN M. JOHNSON,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Zurich0000579

Plaintiff, **ROBERT W. JOHNSON,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Zurich0000581

Plaintiff, **EMILY MIERS,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **ROBERT MIERS,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **STEPHANIE L. ABRAHAMSON,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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3. PUNITIVE DAMAGES $200,000,000.00

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Plaintiff, **DANIEL D. ELLIS by and through his guardian ad litem Brian E. Ellis,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **REBECCA ELLIS** by and through her guardian ad litem Brian E. Ellis, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, ERIC EDMONDS by and through his guardian ad litem John Edmonds, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **AMANDA M. FISHER** by and through her guardian ad litem Davina Fisher, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **DAVID LANGAARD**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, TARA DAYNE HUFFORD by and through her guardian ad litem Kathy Dalton, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, HILARY SANCHEZ by and through her guardian ad litem Toni Sanchez, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, JOSEPH SANCHEZ by and through his guardian ad litem Toni Sanchez, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **KAYLA SANCHEZ by and through her guardian ad litem Toni Sanchez,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **ANDREW P. BURNETT by and through her guardian ad litem Anna Sue Burnett,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **AMANDA P. FAIVRE by and through her guardian ad litem Anna Sue Burnett**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **CARL M. SATTON by and through her guardian ad litem Debra D. Scherer**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **RICKI L. SCHERER by and through his guardian ad litem Debra D. Scherer,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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In addition, it must be understood that it is extremely difficult to fix the amount of general damages and/or to predict the exact amount that a jury or trier of fact may award for this category of damages.

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Plaintiff, **JEREMIAH WARD** by and through his guardian ad litem Joyce Ward, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **SANDRA JEAN LOPEZ**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, MEAGHAN WARD by and through her guardian ad litem Joyce Ward, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, BRETT J. HOOPER by and through his guardian ad litem James A. Hooper, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **KATHLEEN BOWEN,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **LEE BOWEN,** hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, **RUSTY D. NESS**, hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiff, GEORGE A. CREQUE, ESQ., hereby submits the following Statement of Damages to the above-captioned matter:

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Plaintiffs GEORGE CREQUE, JR and those plaintiffs listed on the attached Exhibit 1, incorporated herein, hereby allege the following:

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GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

1. This suit is brought by the Plaintiffs listed in the caption and those Plaintiffs listed in Exhibit 1, incorporated by reference herein. Plaintiffs seek compensatory and punitive damages and injunctive relief arising from acts and/or omissions both in the past and which are presently ongoing and continuous, and which Plaintiffs are informed and believe will continue indefinitely into the future. Said acts and/or omissions emanate and/or arise out of and will continue to emanate and/or arise out of mining, smelting, processing of minerals and other substances and geological components, the utilization of cyanide technology, and/or related activities at or about real property, commonly and collectively referred to as "The Cactus Gold Mines Project Area." Those plaintiffs listed in the caption and in the exhibit incorporated by reference have suffered personal injuries as a result of the acts and omissions herein. This suit is also brought by plaintiffs who are the owners and/or otherwise have possessory interest in parcels of real property adjacent, contiguous to, adjoining and/or otherwise in proximity to the Cactus Gold Mines Project Area. Plaintiffs seek compensation for "injury" to these parcels of real property as a result of the acts and omissions of defendants and each of them, which caused severe environmental contamination and pollution Said contamination and pollution has specifically damaged the real properties listed in the attached Exhibit.

2. Defendants, Does 1 through 2000, inclusive, are unknown to Plaintiffs who therefore sue said Defendants by such fictitious names and will ask leave of Court to amend this Complaint to show the true names and capacities, whether corporate, individual, partnership, association or otherwise, were some way at fault and/or otherwise liable, tortiously, contractually, or otherwise for the injuries and/or damages (both to Plaintiffs' person and/or property) sustained by the individual Plaintiffs herein.

3. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that each of the Defendants designated as Does 1 through 2000, inclusive, are in some way responsible for the injuries and damages sustained by Plaintiffs herein.

4. Defendants named in the caption are generally described as follows:

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A. At any and all relevant times between 1960 through the present, Defendants Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc.; Cactus Gold Mines Company, a Joint Venture; Cactus Gold Mines, Inc. of Kern County; CoCa Mines, Inc.; CoCa Mines, Inc. of Denver; and Does 1 through 100, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Cactus"), owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Gold mines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

B. At any and all relevant times between 1960 through the present, Defendants Heckla Mining Company, Inc. and Does 101-125, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Heckla") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

C. Defendants Brown & Root, Inc. and Does 126-150, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Brown") at all relevant times owed Plaintiffs a duty of care not to conduct themselves in such a manner as to cause harm to Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' properties. At all times herein relevant Defendants Brown breached the duty of care owed to Plaintiffs in negligently and recklessly operating the machinery, equipment, and/or other devices and processes used within the Cactus Mine operation. Plaintiffs are further informed and believe that defendants Brown were at all relevant times since 1986

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through the present engaged and/or otherwise contracted to perform various activities relative to the Cactus Mine operation, including but not limited to dirt hauling, blasting, stacking, ore handling, and/or other activities according to proof.

D. At and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Shumake Operations and Does 151-175, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Shumake") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

E. Defendants Merrill-Crowe and Does 176-200, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Merrill") manufactured, sold, retailed, distributed, designed, integrated, and/or were otherwise an integral part of the stream of commerce of various products used in the Cactus Mine venture; and/or were involved in various tortious ways and are otherwise at fault relative to the machinery, equipment, and/or other devices used within the Cactus Mine operation.

F. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Golden Queen Mining Company and Does 201 through 225, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Golden Queen") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise

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controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

G. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Compass Mining, Inc. and Does 226 through 250, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Compass Mining") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

H. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants MBPL, a business entity form unknown, and Does 251 through 275, inclusive (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants MBPL") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

I. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Saint Mary Parish Land Company and Does 276 through 300, inclusive (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Saint Mary Parish") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property

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J. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Minvin Gold Corporation and Does 325 through 350, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Minvin") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

K. At any and all relevant times, DOES 351-400, inclusive, acted in the capacity of engineers relative to the operation of Cactus Mines.

L. At any and all relevant times, DOES 401-450, inclusive, acted in the capacity of contractors relative to the operation of Cactus Mines.

M. At any and all relevant times, DOES 451-500, inclusive, supplied and/or otherwise were an integral part of the stream of commerce of products, machinery, and/or other items used relative to the operation of Cactus Mines.

N. At any and all relevant times, DOES 501-550, inclusive, were safety consultants for and relative to the operation of Cactus Mines.

O. At any and all relevant times, DOES 551-600, inclusive, were owners, possessors, occupiers, and/or otherwise were in control of Cactus Mines.

P. Defendants Charles Aston, Scott Bennett, Jim Brady, Michael Fisher, and various other individuals and/or entities designated herein as DOES. 601-750, inclusive,

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managed, supervised, oversaw, developed policies and practices, were responsible for, and/or were an integral part of the operation of Cactus Mines.

Q. Defendants DOES 751-2000, inclusive, were individuals and/or entities who were somehow responsible for, tortiously or otherwise, the injuries and damages to plaintiffs herein and their respective properties (real and/or personal).

5. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that at all times mentioned herein, Defendants, and each of them, were the agents, principals, partners, associates, joint venturers, employees and/or co-conspirators of each of the remaining co-defendants; that the Defendants, and each of them, were at all times acting within the course, purpose and scope of said agency, partnership, association, joint venture employment and/or conspiracy and that Defendants and each of them were acting with the authorization, permission and/or consent of the remaining co-Defendants.

6. At any and all relevant times herein and beginning in 1960 and continuing through the present, the defendants herein participated in various ways in the operation of the Cactus/Shumake mining operation. The mining operation in question caused the dissemination of harmful substances into the environment. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants against whom this suit is asserted knew at least as early as 1989 that the activities arising at or about the subject real property were creating a significant negative environmental impact from a health and safety perspective; and that same was causing an/or contributing to substantial damage to real property which adjoined, was adjacent to, or otherwise in proximity to the Cactus/Shumake Mines. Unfortunately, the acts and omissions giving rise to this suit are ongoing as of this filing, and plaintiffs are informed and believe that said acts and omissions will continue continuously and/or indefinitely into the future. Hence, not only are compensatory and punitive damages sought herein, but request is also made for abatement and injunctive relief.

7. Defendants and each of them acted tortiously in many ways, proximately resulting in damage and injury to plaintiffs personally and their offspring, and to plaintiffs' property (real and personal). Defendants engaged in the following acts and/or omissions which are listed by way of example and not by limitation:

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A. Defendants and each of them owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise engaged in acts and/or omissions relative to the Cactus/Shumake Mine operation, which activities include and continue to include goldmining, refining, smelting, and other related activities according to proof. These activities resulted in and continue to cause the introduction, dissemination and/or placement into the general environment of numerous toxic substances, compounds, contaminants and/or pollutants, including mercury, cyanide and other chemicals. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that these toxic substances were disseminated and/or otherwise related into the environment as part and parcel and/or a byproduct and secondary to the operations and activities occurring at and about the Cactus/Shumake Mines referenced above. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that the introduction into the environment of the harmful chemicals occurred in several different ways, including, but not limited to the allowance of the introduction of contaminants into the generalized environment by specific miners operators and managers themselves; and by the improper management and/or improper disposal of byproducts, including mercury cyanide into the environment.

B. More specifically, but without limitation, beginning in the late 1980s and continuing thereafter and through the present, the individuals participating and/or otherwise conducting the Cactus Mine Operation. These operations included "blasting" and "overblasting" of ore within a quarry, crushing of the ore to a specific size, placement of the crushed ore in extremely lengthy and high leach piles, peculation of various solutions including a sodium cyanide "baron" solution through the ore and the processing of the resulting "pregnant" solution to recover the gold and the silver. The process of recovering the gold from the pregnant solution involved the routing of the solution through a clarifier to remove solid silica, through a vacuum tower to remove the dissolved oxygen, the addition of zinc to the solution to precipitate the gold and the filtering of the precipitant by leaf type filter. This filtered cake is then scraped off the leaf filter and then put into a mercury retort furnace where the mercury off gases at 900 degrees. The mercury vapors are then ducted to a water tube where they recondensed and dropped to the bottom. The mercury is then drained out of the water bath and put into special, but hazardous flasks for off site shipment. The non-condensible vapors, however, continue through the water

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bath condenser to a carbon absorption drum and then out into the atmosphere. The solution used to extract the gold specs from the leach pit is sodium cyanide, which substance does not naturally occur at the mine. Further, the sodium cyanide is "sprinkled" on the leach pits with large rain birds. One of the important end results is that these operating procedures produced and continue to producer hazardous levels of mercury vapor and mercury cyanide.

The undesirable substances which are introduced into the environment cause substantial environmental problems, physiological damage to both persons and animals within the affected area and substantial damage to real property as well. The undesirable substances make there way into water that is actually ingested by persons and animals living in the affected area and/or thir system's as well. The undesirable compounds accumulate within the human body as a result of inhalation, digestion, and other methods of absorption. The mercury compound in question breaks down in the stomach into mercury chloride and cyanide. The compounds are absorbed through the digestion track and the cyanide attacks and/or otherwise affects red blood cells. Mercury is stored in fat and nerve cells and cyanide is excreted through bodily functions over time. Both of said byproducts are toxic. Among other things, a number of undesirable signs and symptoms related thereto have been reported at a rate of incidence of profound statistical significance, including, but not limited to, neurological and respiratory signs and symptoms.

C. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants and each of them were fully aware of the fact that there are severe hazards due to mercury introduction or contamination as a secondary result of mining and related activities; and, the defendants and each of them knew at all relevant times that plaintiffs would not be aware of the cause of their injury and damages due to the fact that there are no "warning properties" relative to exposure to mercury. Defendants and each of them specifically kept secret and/or concealed this state of affairs from plaintiffs and numerous others in furtherance of pecuniary and financial gain, but at the same time, plaintiffs are informed and believe defendants knew that the concealment thereof had a high probability of resulting in severe, significant, and enduring personal injuries and damages. In fact, Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that the activities in question and concealment thereof was done knowingfully and intentionally by defendants and

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defendants further knew that they were in specific violation of regulations and directives of various agencies including the United States Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, the Health Hazards Assessment Division, Department of Health Services, Health and Welfare agencies of the State of California.

D. The management of the property was grossly negligent because the release and dissemination of contaminants, pollutants, chemicals and other substances could have been easily avoided, but as alluded to above, plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants and each of them opted not to take appropriate prophylactic measures.

E. Plaintiffs are further informed and believe that defendants and each of them utilized improper equipment, machinery and other devices so as to effectuate and maintain a proper level of safety and overall control of the release and dissemination of contaminants, pollutants, chemicals, toxins, and/or other substances, including mercury.

F. At all relevant times herein Defendants had knowledge or should have had knowledge of the substantial deleterious effects and dangerous features of the substances which were byproducts and/or secondary to the mining operation referenced herein. Further, defendants were aware that said mine was located in an area adjacent to homes and businesses, including plaintiffs' properties. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that said conduct of defendants, alleged herein, was reckless and in disregard for the rights of plaintiffs in that defendants, with knowledge of the circumstances alleged herein, allowed failed to eliminate the introduction into the environment of harmful and toxic substances. The mining operations that were in effect at the Cactus Mine should have put a reasonably alert persons on notice that there was a high level of properability that toxic chemicals would be introduced into the local environment and would damage persons and property and impair and/or interfere with the reasonable use and enjoyment of property. In effect the Cactus Mine operation constituted a nuisance.

G. To the extent that various defendants and each of them were responsible for controlling and/or eliminating environmental pollutants such as mercury, defendants were negligent.

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H. To the extent that various defendants designed and/or engineered the mining operation or procedures to be utilized, said defendants acted negligently.

I. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants were negligent in numerous other ways relative to the management, supervision, ownership, and/or control of the subject property.

8. As referenced above, the environmental pollution that was occurring was done without the knowledge of plaintiffs and was specifically covered up and/or concealed by defendants. At all relevant times herein, Plaintiffs herein exercised reasonable care, and were reasonable in their evaluation and assessment of applicable circumstances. Plaintiffs, however, did not become aware of the cause and/or nexus between the activities at the subject property and their injuries within a year of filing of this action.

9. As referenced above, defendants' use, management, ownership, and/or control of the Cactus/Shumake Mines has resulted in severe environmental contamination and pollution constituting a public and private nuisance, the abatement of which is hereby sought.

10. As a proximate and/or legal result of the acts and/or omissions of defendants and each of them, plaintiffs suffered various forms of injury and damage, including, but not limited to the following:

A. Each individually named plaintiff suffered personal injury, necessitating past, present and/or future medical and health care.

B. Each individually named plaintiff has suffered past and/or future loss of earnings and/or impairment of earning capacity.

C. Each individually named plaintiff suffered and/or sustained pain and suffering and/or other general damage as a result of personal injury inflicted upon said plaintiff in a nature, scope, extent or degree according to proof.

D. Each individually named plaintiff suffered various other forms of injury and damage as a proximate result of and/or secondary to his or her personal injury.

E. With regard to each property listed in Exhibit 1, said properties were damaged as a result of environmental contamination, pollution and/or exposure to toxic

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substances. Substantial "clean up" and/or other remedial measures have and/or will be necessary. Further, the market value of all of these properties, and for that matter the area as a whole, has been substantially impaired and diminished. To the extent that plaintiffs are presently able to estimate, loss and damage to those properties listed in Exhibit 1, said properties collectively have been damaged in the amount of 100 million dollars, or other amount according to proof.

F. As a proximate result of defendants' interference with plaintiffs' rightful use and enjoyment of their property, said interference causing a public nuisance, defendants herein are liable to plaintiffs for the injuries and damages suffered by them. Plaintiffs' damage is continuing.

G. Other damages according to proof.

11. Plaintiffs have suffered injury and damage in the form of emotional distress, worry and concern caused by the acts and/or omissions of defendants. The various adult plaintiffs herein who are the parents and/or guardians of minor plaintiffs are very worried and concerned about the condition, manifested or otherwise, of said minor plaintiffs caused by the irresponsible acts and omissions of defendants.

12. Plaintiffs reserve the right to make claim damages for injury to their offspring, where applicable. Further, plaintiffs certainly make claim for emotional distress, worry and concern caused by the mere possibility that their offspring, where applicable, have been damaged.

13. Plaintiffs are entitled to exemplary and/or punitive damages as a result of the acts and/or omissions of defendants against whom this complaint is asserted. The specific facts supporting this request are set forth above, but suffice it to say that in a nutshell, defendants placed their own pecuniary interests on a much higher priority ladder than the health and safety of plaintiffs and other members of the general public. Defendants' refusal to abate the problems in question and their decision to conceal same from interested persons, including plaintiffs and other members of the general public constituted acts and omissions clearly done maliciously and/or with a conscious disregard for both the rights and/or the safety of plaintiffs.

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FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION - NEGLIGENCE

(By Plaintiffs against Defendants and each of them.)

14. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate paragraphs 1 through 13, inclusive herein.

15. As alleged above, the Defendants against whom this cause of action were asserted were negligent, and breached the duty of care owed to Plaintiffs, in their activities and omissions relative to the mine operation, as alleged above. Said negligence occurred beginning in the late 1980s and has continued through the present.

16. As a legal result of said negligence, Plaintiffs have been damaged and/or have suffered loss as alleged above.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION - TRESPASS

(By Plaintiffs against Defendants and each of them.)

17. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate paragraphs 1 through 13, inclusive, and 15 of this Complaint herein.

18. At all relevant times herein, the individual plaintiffs herein were the owners of parcels of land, vegetation, buildings and personal property as described herein, which land, structures and personal property were damaged by the environmental contamination described above which began in or about late 1989 and which is continuing. More specifically, said contamination damaged, destroyed and/or otherwise interfered with the free and proper use and enjoyment of Plaintiffs' property (both personal and real), and the other damages referred to in those paragraphs incorporated by reference herein. As a result thereof, defendants, against whom this Cause of Action is asserted, wrongfully trespassed and/or allowed trespass as a result of the ongoing escape of pollutants into the environment and onto the land, property and vegetation belonging to plaintiffs by interfering with plaintiffs' possession and/or right to possession. Said interference as a direct result of the conduct of defendants as described in the paragraphs incorporated into this cause of action and through the conduct o defendants, the environmental contaminants were allowed to very adversely affect Plaintiffs, their property and use thereof.

19. Furthermore, said trespass was the direct result of an ultrahazardous activity, i.e., the improper use, disposal, management and other activities relative to the mine by which

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toxic and unhealthful levels of various contaminants, including, but not limited to mercury cyanide were placed into the applicable environment.

20. As a proximate result of the trespass of defendants, and each of them, plaintiffs' suffered damages as described in paragraphs incorporated herein by reference.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION - NUISANCE

(By Plaintiffs against Defendants and each of them.)

21. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate paragraphs 1 through 13, 15, 19 inclusive, of this complaint into this cause of action.

22. At all relevant times herein, plaintiffs hereby allege that the dangerous condition, activities occurring within and the ultimate use of the White Ranch as described herein constituted a nuisance, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 3479 and 3480 of the Civil Code, which state in pertinent part as follows:

> "§ 3479. **Acts Constituting Nuisance.** Anything which is injurious to health, or is indecent or offensive to the senses, or an obstruction to the free use of property, so as to interfere with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property, or unlawfully obstructs the free passage or use, in the customary manner, of any navigable lake....., is a nuisance."
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> "§ 3480. **Public Nuisance.** A public nuisance is one which affects at the same time an entire community or neighborhood, or any considerable number of persons, although the extent of the annoyance or damage inflicted upon individuals may be unequal."

23. Plaintiffs hereby allege that the condition and uses of the Cactus Mine constituted a nuisance for various reasons, including, but not limited to:

(a) The use of the mine was at all relevant times caused and had a significant potential to injure persons and/or property and was indecent and offensive to the senses. Among other things, Plaintiffs were forced to be exposed to toxic substances and the undesirable effects associated with same.

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(b) The use of the property constituted an obstruction to the free use of property. More specifically, the Mine polluted and contaminated the area as more fully set forth above.

(c) The activities within the mine created the menace of substantial environmental pollution.

24. Hence, Plaintiffs hereby allege that said nuisance created an obstruction to plaintiffs' free use of their property, "so as to interfere with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property." Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants were necessarily fully knowledgeable of the dangerous nature of their activities, yet intentionally or alternatively with reckless indifference to the ramifications thereof choose to engage therein even after Defendants became knowledgeable of the deleterious consequences thereof.

25. As a proximate result of the nuisance caused by defendants herein, plaintiffs' suffered, and will continue to suffer, damages as described in paragraphs 10 -13 inclusive, of this Complaint.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION - ULTRAHAZARDOUS ACTIVITY

(By Plaintiffs against Defendants and each of them.)

26. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate by reference paragraphs 1 through 13, 15, 19, 22, 23 and 24 of this complaint herein.

27. The activities described herein, due to their substantial potential for injury and damage to persons and property, were ultrahazardous. Defendants are accordingly strictly liable for injuries and damages caused thereby.

28. As a proximate result thereof Plaintiffs suffered injuries and damages as more fully set forth above.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray for judgment as follows:

(1) For compensatory, general, special, consequential, and incidental damages, in an amount according to proof;

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(2) For costs of suit, including reasonable attorney's fee, where appropriate;

(3) For fines or fees associated with statutory violations;

(4) For pre-judgement and/or post-judgement interest at the legal rate;

(5) For abatement and injunctive relief;

(6) For exemplary/punitive damages pursuant to Civil Code §3294; and,

(7) For such other further relief that the court deems just and proper.

Date: June 1 7, 1999

STEVEN L. ZELIG & ASSOCIATES

By:_____
Steven L. Zelig
Attorney for Plaintiffs

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California in the office of a member of the bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made.

I am over the age of 18, and not party to the within action. My business address is 10850 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 530, California 90024.

On June 23, 1999, I served the following document(s) described as: **SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR COMPENSATORY DAMAGES AND PUNITIVE DAMAGES; AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF** on the interested parties in this action by placing a true copy thereof in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:

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GRESHAM, SAVAGE, NOLAN & TILDEN
600 N. Arrowhead, Suite 300
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Attorneys for Defendants CACTUS GOLD MINES COMPANY, A JOINT VENTURE; COCA MINES, INC.; HECLA MINING COMPANY, INC.; COMPASS MINING, INC.; MBPL, A COLORADO LIMITED PARTNERSHIP; CHARLES ASTON; SCOTT BENNETT and JIM BRADY

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Attorneys for Defendant BROWN & ROOT, INC.

[XX] (BY MAIL)
On said date, I placed such envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid in the United States mail at Los Angeles, California 90024.

[XX] I am "readily familiar" with the firm's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. It is deposited with the U.S. postal service on that same day in the ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than 1 day after date of deposit for mailing in affidavit.

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On said date, I transmitted via facsimile a true and correct copy of the above named document to the above named representative of the above named law firm at the above listed facsimile number before 5:00 p.m.

[ ] (BY PERSONAL SERVICE)
I delivered such envelope by hand to the offices of the addressee.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct and that this declaration/certificate is executed at Los Angeles, California on June 23, 1999.

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Robert Edwards
Tel. (410) 338-1573
Fax (410) 554-5042

July 16, 1999

Mr. Mark Wielga
Dorsey & Whitney LLP
Republic Plaza Building, Suite 4400
370 Seventeenth Street
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RE: Policyholder: CoCa Mines Company , Inc.
Matter: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et al.

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Dear Mr. Wielga:

Thank you for your correspondence dated July 1, 1999 regarding the above referenced matter. I recently spoke with Michael White of Hecla and he indicated that he would forward a complete copy of the above referenced complaint. As of this date, we have only received the first thirteen pages. Your anticipated cooperation and forwarding this document to the undersigned is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

Very truly yours,

Robert Edwards
(410) 338-1573

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Memorandum

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Date: 6/18/99

To: Fran Dillon, Mgr., Records Administration, Yellow Brick Road

From: Robert O. Edwards, Claim Administrator Envir. Claim, Rm.308

Subject: Request for documentation of policies allegedly issued to: CoCa Mines

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June 21, 1999

Michael B. White
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6500 Mineral Drive
Coeur d'Alene ID 83815-8788

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Dear Mr. White:

This letter will serve to acknowledge receipt of your June 11, 1999 correspondence regarding the above referenced matter. We are in the process of searching our records to locate documents which evidence the issuance of the following policies: SMP 31501167, UB 11822059 and UB 21826561. In order to help expedite our review of this matter, we would appreciate your help and cooperation in terms of providing copies of any policy documentation that you may have. In addition, we would appreciate receiving an insurance profile for CoCa Mines. It is my understanding that you have retained the law firm of Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tildon located in San Bernardino to represent your interests. We appreciate your cooperation as we search for policy documentation.

Our acknowledgement of this matter should not be deemed or construed as a waiver of any of the rights or defenses available now or at any time in the future. Zurich U.S. reserves all of its rights and defenses in connection with this matter. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Robert Edwards
(410) 338-1573

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3. Currently Available Data. The alleged insured asserts that coverage was provided under the following Maryland Casualty Company policies:

SMP 31501167
UB 11822059
UB 21826561

probably late 1970s early 1980s

4. Necessary Action. Please search available Company records for any and all documents having a bearing on coverage for this alleged insured, and provide copies of those documents to the Environmental Claim Department, to the attention of Robert O. Edwards, within two weeks of the date of this memorandum.

5. Questions Regarding this Memorandum...may be directed to D. Speer, Environmental Claim Department, Room 308, Maryland Insurance Group, Baltimore, Maryland.

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Re: Insured: CoCa Mines
Policy Nos. SMP 31501167; UB 11822059; UB 21826561

Dear Claims Representative:

I am writing regarding three insurance policies (the "Policies") issued by Maryland Casualty Company to CoCa Mines, Inc. (the "Insured"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hecla Mining Company. The policy numbers are: 1) SMP 31501167; 2) UB 11822059; and 3)UB 21826561.

Earlier this year, we were served with a complaint captioned *George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et al.* A copy of the First Amended Complaint for Compensatory and Punitive Damages and Injunctive Relief is attached. The named defendants include "Cactus Gold Mine Company, Inc., Cactus Gold Mine Company a joint venture, Cactus Gold Mine, Inc. of Kern County, CoCa Mines, Inc., CoCa Mines Inc. of Denver, MBPL, a business entity form unknown, and Compass Mining Inc." Some or all of these companies are the named insured or additional insureds under the Policies. Insured has retained the law firm of Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in San Bernardino, California to evaluate the case and prepare an Answer pending assumption of the defense by its insurers.

The Amended Complaint alleges that the wrongful acts occurred " beginning in 1960 continuing through the present." Amended Complaint ¶ 6. Policy No. SMP 31501167 is an "occurrence" policy with the policy period running from December 24, 1980, to December 24, 1982. Policy Nos. UB 11822059 and UB 21826561 are "occurrence" umbrella policies with policy periods running from June 4, 1981, to June 4, 1982, and June 4, 1982 to December 24, 1982, respectively. The causes of action alleged against the Insured include negligence, trespass, nuisance, strict liability and ultra-hazardous activity.

Filed in the suit were numerous "Statements of Damages for the Individual Plaintiffs" alleging $100,000,000 general damages, $100,000,000 special damages and $200,000,000 in punitive damages.

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The Insured hereby gives notice of this lawsuit and demands that Zurich U.S. ack and assume its duties under the Policies, including, but not limited to, its obligations to i the Insured and provide a defense. Because the lawsuit is ongoing, a prompt response appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Michael B. White
Agent for, and on behalf of,
CoCa Mining, Inc.

MBW:tdh

cc: Mark Wielga, Esq. - Dorsey & Whitney LLP

SUMMONS
(CITACION JUDICIAL)

ON FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: *(Aviso a Acusado)*

CACTUS GOLD MINES COMPANY, INC.; CACTUS GOLD MINES COMPANY, A JOINT VENTURE; CACTUS GOLD MINES, INC. OF KERN COUNTY; COCA MINES, INC.; COCA MINES, INC. OF DENVER; HECKLA MINING COMPANY, INC.; BROWN & ROOT, INC.; SHUMAKE OPERATIONS; MERRILL-CROWE; GOLDEN QUEEN MINING COMPANY COMPASS MINING, INC.; MBPL, A BUSINESS ENTITY, FORM UNKNOWN; SAINT MARY PARISH LAND COMPANY; MINVIN GOLD CORPORATION; CHARLES ASTON, SCOTT BENNETT, JIM BRADY, MICHEL FISHER; and DOES 1 through 2000, inclusive

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:
(A Ud. le está demandando)

GEORGE CREQUE, JR. and those Plaintiffs listed on the attached document identified as Exhibit 1, and incorporated herein.

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You have *30 CALENDAR DAYS* after this summons is served on you to file a typewritten response at this court.

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If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may call an attorney referral service or a legal aid office (listed in the phone book).

Después de que le entreguen esta citación judicial usted tiene un plazo de 30 DIAS CALENDARIOS para presentar una respuesta escrita a máquina en esta corte.

Una carta o una llamada telefónica no le ofrecerá protección; su respuesta escrita a máquina tiene que cumplir con las formalidades legales apropiadas si usted quiere que la corte escuche su caso.

Si usted no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso, y le pueden quitar su salario, su dinero y otras cosas de su propiedad sin aviso adicional por parte de la corte.

Existen otros requisitos legales. Puede que usted quiera llamar a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de referencia de abogados o a una oficina de ayuda legal (vea el directorio telefónico).

CASE NUMBER: *(Número del Caso)*
235323 SPC

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA KERN COUNTY
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The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is:
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NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: You are served
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2. ☐ as the person sued under the fictitious name of *(specify)*:
3. ☐ on behalf of *(specify)*:

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FOR THE COUNTY OF KERN

GEORGE CREQUE, JR. and those Plaintiffs listed on the attached document identified as Exhibit 1, and incorporated herein, Plaintiffs, vs. CACTUS GOLD MINES COMPANY, INC.; CACTUS GOLD MINES COMPANY, A JOINT VENTURE; CACTUS GOLD MINES, INC. OF KERN COUNTY; COCA MINES, INC.; COCA MINES, INC. OF DENVER; HECKLA MINING COMPANY, INC.; BROWN & ROOT, INC.; SHUMAKE OPERATIONS; MERRILL-CROWE; GOLDEN QUEEN MINING COMPANY; COMPASS MINING, INC.; MBPL, A BUSINESS ENTITY, FORM UNKNOWN; SAINT MARY PARISH LAND COMPANY; MINVIN GOLD CORPORATION; CHARLES ASTON, SCOTT BENNETT, JIM BRADY, MICHAEL FISHER; and DOES 1 through 2000, inclusive, Defendants.	CASE NO. 235323 SPC FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR COMPENSATORY AND PUNITIVE DAMAGES; AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

Plaintiffs GEORGE CREQUE, JR and those plaintiffs listed on the attached Exhibit 1, incorporated herein, hereby allege the following:

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GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

1. This suit is brought by the Plaintiffs listed in the caption and those Plaintiffs listed in Exhibit 1, incorporated by reference herein. Plaintiffs seek compensatory and punitive damages and injunctive relief arising from acts and/or omissions both in the past and which are presently ongoing and continuous, and which Plaintiffs are informed and believe will continue indefinitely into the future. Said acts and/or omissions emanate and/or arise out of and will continue to emanate and/or arise out of mining, smelting, processing of minerals and other substances and geological components, the utilization of cyanide technology, and/or related activities at or about real property, commonly and collectively referred to as "The Cactus Gold Mines Project Area." Those plaintiffs listed in the caption and in the exhibit incorporated by reference have suffered personal injuries as a result of the acts and omissions herein. This suit is also brought by plaintiffs who are the owners and/or otherwise have possessory interest in parcels of real property adjacent, contiguous to, adjoining and/or otherwise in proximity to the Cactus Gold Mines Project Area. Plaintiffs seek compensation for "injury" to these parcels of real property as a result of the acts and omissions of defendants and each of them, which caused severe environmental contamination and pollution Said contamination and pollution has specifically damaged the real properties listed in the attached Exhibit.

2. Defendants, Does 1 through 2000, inclusive, are unknown to Plaintiffs who therefore sue said Defendants by such fictitious names and will ask leave of Court to amend this Complaint to show the true names and capacities, whether corporate, individual, partnership, association or otherwise, were some way at fault and/or otherwise liable, tortiously, contractually, or otherwise for the injuries and/or damages (both to Plaintiffs' person and/or property) sustained by the individual Plaintiffs herein.

3. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that each of the Defendants designated as Does 1 through 2000, inclusive, are in some way responsible for the injuries and damages sustained by Plaintiffs herein.

4. Defendants named in the caption are generally described as follows:

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A. At any and all relevant times between 1960 through the present, Defendants Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc.; Cactus Gold Mines Company, a Joint Venture; Cactus Gold Mines, Inc. of Kern County; CoCa Mines, Inc.; CoCa Mines, Inc. of Denver; and Does 1 through 100, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Cactus"), owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Gold mines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

B. At any and all relevant times between 1960 through the present, Defendants Heckla Mining Company, Inc. and Does 101-125, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Heckla") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

C. Defendants Brown & Root, Inc. and Does 126-150, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Brown") were involved in various tortious ways and are otherwise at fault relative to the machinery, equipment, and/or other devices used within the Cactus Mine operation. Plaintiffs are further informed and believe that defendants Brown were at all relevant times since 1986 through the present engaged and/or otherwise contracted to perform various activities relative to the Cactus Mine operation,

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including but not limited to dirt hauling, blasting, stacking, ore handling, and/or other activities according to proof.

D. At and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Shumake Operations and Does 151-175, inclusive, (hereinafter these Defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Shumake") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

E. Defendants Merrill-Crowe and Does 176-200, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Merrill") manufactured, sold, retailed, distributed, designed, integrated, and/or were otherwise an integral part of the stream of commerce of various products used in the Cactus Mine venture; and/or were involved in various tortious ways and are otherwise at fault relative to the machinery, equipment, and/or other devices used within the Cactus Mine operation.

F. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Golden Queen Mining Company and Does 201 through 225, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Golden Queen") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

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G. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Compass Mining, Inc. and Does 226 through 250, inclusive, (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Compass Mining") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses and other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

H. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants MBPL, a business entity form unknown, and Does 251 through 275, inclusive (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants MBPL") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise controlled businesses ~~and~~ other ventures, including mining and drilling, conducted at, about, below, and/or within the confines of said real property.

I. At any and all relevant times from 1960 through the present, Defendants Saint Mary Parish Land Company and Does 276 through 300, inclusive (hereinafter these defendants are collectively referred to as "Defendants Saint Mary Parish") owned, operated, managed, participated in a venture concerning, and/or otherwise controlled real property commonly known as "Cactus Gold Mines," "Cactus Mines," "Cactus/Shumake Mines" at or about the Cactus Goldmines Project Area located in Mojave, California, and/or other real property according to proof. Said real property is hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Cactus Mines" or "the subject real property." Said defendants also owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise

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Q. Defendants DOES 751-2000, inclusive, were individuals and/or entities who were somehow responsible for, tortiously or otherwise, the injuries and damages to plaintiffs herein and their respective properties (real and/or personal).

5. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that at all times mentioned herein, Defendants, and each of them, were the agents, principals, partners, associates, joint venturers, employees and/or co-conspirators of each of the remaining co-defendants; that the Defendants, and each of them, were at all times acting within the course, purpose and scope of said agency, partnership, association, joint venture employment and/or conspiracy and that Defendants and each of them were acting with the authorization, permission and/or consent of the remaining co-Defendants.

6. At any and all relevant times herein and beginning in 1960 and continuing through the present, the defendants herein participated in various ways in the operation of the Cactus/Shumake mining operation. The mining operation in question caused the dissemination of harmful substances into the environment. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants against whom this suit is asserted knew at least as early as 1989 that the activities arising at or about the subject real property were creating a significant negative environmental impact from a health and safety perspective; and that same was causing an/or contributing to substantial damage to real property which adjoined, was adjacent to, or otherwise in proximity to the Cactus/Shumake Mines. Unfortunately, the acts and omissions giving rise to this suit are ongoing as of this filing, and plaintiffs are informed and believe that said acts and omissions will continue continuously and/or indefinitely into the future. Hence, not only are compensatory and punitive damages sought herein, but request is also made for abatement and injunctive relief.

7. Defendants and each of them acted tortiously in many ways, proximately resulting in damage and injury to plaintiffs personally and their offspring, and to plaintiffs' property (real and personal). Defendants engaged in the following acts and/or omissions which are listed by way of example and not by limitation:

A. Defendants and each of them owned, operated, managed, and/or otherwise engaged in acts and/or omissions relative to the Cactus/Shumake Mine operation,

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which activities include and continue to include goldmining, refining, smelting, and other related activities according to proof. These activities resulted in and continue to cause the introduction, dissemination and/or placement into the general environment of numerous toxic substances, compounds, contaminants and/or pollutants, including mercury, cyanide and other chemicals. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that these toxic substances were disseminated and/or otherwise related into the environment as part and parcel and/or a byproduct and secondary to the operations and activities occurring at and about the Cactus/Shumake Mines referenced above. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that the introduction into the environment of the harmful chemicals occurred in several different ways, including, but not limited to the allowance of the introduction of contaminants into the generalized environment by specific miners operators and managers themselves; and by the improper management and/or improper disposal of byproducts, including mercury cyanide into the environment.

B. More specifically, but without limitation, beginning in the late 1980s and continuing thereafter and through the present, the individuals participating and/or otherwise conducting the Cactus Mine Operation. These operations included "blasting" and "overblasting" of ore within a quarry, crushing of the ore to a specific size, placement of the crushed ore in extremely lengthy and high leach piles, peculation of various solutions including a sodium cyanide "baron" solution through the ore and the processing of the resulting "pregnant" solution to recover the gold and the silver. The process of recovering the gold from the pregnant solution involved the routing of the solution through a clarifier to remove solid silica, through a vacuum tower to remove the dissolved oxygen, the addition of zinc to the solution to precipitate the gold and the filtering of the precipitant by leaf type filter. This filtered cake is then scraped off the leaf filter and then put into a mercury retort furnace where the mercury off gases at 900 degrees. The mercury vapors are then ducted to a water tube where they recondensed and dropped to the bottom. The mercury is then drained out of the water bath and put into special, but hazardous flasks for off site shipment. The non-condensible vapors, however, continue through the water bath condenser to a carbon absorption drum and then out into the atmosphere. The solution used to extract the gold specs from the leach pit is sodium cyanide, which substance does not naturally

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occur at the mine. Further, the sodium cyanide is "sprinkled" on the leach pits with large rain birds. One of the important end results is that these operating procedures produced and continue to producer hazardous levels of mercury vapor and mercury cyanide.

The undesirable substances which are introduced into the environment cause substantial environmental problems, physiological damage to both persons and animals within the affected area and substantial damage to real property as well. The undesirable substances make there way into water that is actually ingested by persons and animals living in the affected area and/or thir system's as well. The undesirable compounds accumulate within the human body as a result of inhalation, digestion, and other methods of absorption. The mercury compound in question breaks down in the stomach into mercury chloride and cyanide. The compounds are absorbed through the digestion track and the cyanide attacks and/or otherwise affects red blood cells. Mercury is stored in fat and nerve cells and cyanide is excreted through bodily functions over time. Both of said byproducts are toxic. Among other things, a number of undesirable signs and symptoms related thereto have been reported at a rate of incidence of profound statistical significance, including, but not limited to, neurological and respiratory signs and symptoms.

C. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants and each of them were fully aware of the fact that there are severe hazards due to mercury introduction or contamination as a secondary result of mining and related activities; and, the defendants and each of them knew at all relevant times that plaintiffs would not be aware of the cause of their injury and damages due to the fact that there are no "warning properties" relative to exposure to mercury. Defendants and each of them specifically kept secret and/or concealed this state of affairs from plaintiffs and numerous others in furtherance of pecuniary and financial gain, but at the same time, plaintiffs are informed and believe defendants knew that the concealment thereof had a high probability of resulting in severe, significant, and enduring personal injuries and damages. In fact, Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that the activities in question and concealment thereof was done knowingfully and intentionally by defendants and defendants further knew that they were in specific violation of regulations and directives of various agencies including the United States Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health

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Administration, the Health Hazards Assessment Division, Department of Health Services, Health and Welfare agencies of the State of California.

D. The *management of the property was grossly negligent* because the release and dissemination of contaminants, pollutants, chemicals and other substances could have been easily avoided, but as alluded to above, plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants and each of them opted not to take appropriate prophylactic measures.

E. Plaintiffs are further informed and believe that defendants and each of them utilized improper equipment, machinery and other devices so as to effectuate and maintain a proper level of safety and overall control of the release and dissemination of contaminants, pollutants, chemicals, toxins, and/or other substances, including mercury.

F. At all relevant times herein Defendants had knowledge or should have had knowledge of the substantial deleterious effects and dangerous features of the substances which were byproducts and/or secondary to the mining operation referenced herein. Further, defendants were aware that said mine was located in an area adjacent to homes and businesses, including plaintiffs' properties. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that said conduct of defendants, alleged herein, was reckless and in disregard for the rights of plaintiffs in that defendants, with knowledge of the circumstances alleged herein, allowed failed to eliminate the introduction into the environment of harmful and toxic substances. The mining operations that were in effect at the Cactus Mine should have put a reasonably alert persons on notice that there was a high level of properability that toxic chemicals would be introduced into the local environment and would damage persons and property and impair and/or interfere with the reasonable use and enjoyment of property. In effect the Cactus Mine operation constituted a nuisance.

G. To the extent that various defendants and each of them were responsible for controlling and/or eliminating environmental pollutants such as mercury, defendants were negligent.

H. To the extent that various defendants designed and/or engineered the mining operation or procedures to be utilized, said defendants acted negligently.

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I. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that defendants were negligent in numerous other ways relative to the management, supervision, ownership, and/or control of the subject property.

8. As referenced above, the environmental pollution that was occurring was done without the knowledge of plaintiffs and was specifically covered up and/or concealed by defendants. At all relevant times herein, Plaintiffs herein exercised reasonable care, and were reasonable in their evaluation and assessment of applicable circumstances. Plaintiffs, however, did not become aware of the cause and/or nexus between the activities at the subject property and their injuries within a year of filing of this action.

9. As referenced above, defendants' use, management, ownership, and/or control of the Cactus/Shumake Mines has resulted in severe environmental contamination and pollution constituting a public and private nuisance, the abatement of which is hereby sought.

10. As a proximate and/or legal result of the acts and/or omissions of defendants and each of them, plaintiffs suffered various forms of injury and damage, including, but not limited to the following:

A. Each individually named plaintiff suffered personal injury, necessitating past, present and/or future medical and health care.

B. Each individually named plaintiff has suffered past and/or future loss of earnings and/or impairment of earning capacity.

C. Each individually named plaintiff suffered and/or sustained pain and suffering and/or other general damage as a result of personal injury inflicted upon said plaintiff in a nature, scope, extent or degree according to proof.

D. Each individually named plaintiff suffered various other forms of injury and damage as a proximate result of and/or secondary to his or her personal injury.

E. With regard to each property listed in Exhibit 1, said properties were damaged as a result of environmental contamination, pollution and/or exposure to toxic substances. Substantial "clean up" and/or other remedial measures have and/or will be necessary. Further, the market value of all of these properties, and for that matter the area as a whole, has

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been substantially impaired and diminished. To the extent that plaintiffs are presently able to estimate, loss and damage to those properties listed in Exhibit 1, said properties collectively have been damaged in the amount of 100 million dollars, or other amount according to proof.

F. As a proximate result of defendants' interference with plaintiffs' rightful use and enjoyment of their property, said interference causing a public nuisance, defendants herein are liable to plaintiffs for the injuries and damages suffered by them. Plaintiffs' damage is continuing.

G. Other damages according to proof.

11. Plaintiffs have suffered injury and damage in the form of emotional distress, worry and concern caused by the acts and/or omissions of defendants. The various adult plaintiffs herein who are the parents and/or guardians of minor plaintiffs are very worried and concerned about the condition, manifested or otherwise, of said minor plaintiffs caused by the irresponsible acts and omissions of defendants.

12. Plaintiffs reserve the right to make claim damages for injury to their offspring, where applicable. Further, plaintiffs certainly make claim for emotional distress, worry and concern caused by the mere possibility that their offspring, where applicable, have been damaged.

13. Plaintiffs are entitled to exemplary and/or punitive damages as a result of the acts and/or omissions of defendants against whom this complaint is asserted. The specific facts supporting this request are set forth above, but suffice it to say that in a nutshell, defendants placed their own pecuniary interests on a much higher priority ladder than the health and safety of plaintiffs and other members of the general public. Defendants' refusal to abate the problems in question and their decision to conceal same from interested persons, including plaintiffs and other members of the general public constituted acts and omissions clearly done maliciously and/or with a conscious disregard for both the rights and/or the safety of plaintiffs.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION - NEGLIGENCE

(By Plaintiffs against Defendants and each of them.)

14. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate paragraphs 1 through 13, inclusive herein.

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15. The Defendants against whom this cause of action were asserted were negligent in their activities and omissions relative to the mine operation described above. Said negligence occurred beginning in the late 1980s and has continued through the present.

16. As a legal result of said negligence, Plaintiffs have been damaged and/or have suffered loss as described above.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION - TRESPASS

(By Plaintiffs against Defendants and each of them.)

17. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate paragraphs 1 through 13, inclusive, and 15 of this Complaint herein.

18. At all relevant times herein, the individual plaintiffs herein were the owners of parcels of land, vegetation, buildings and personal property as described herein, which land, structures and personal property were damaged by the environmental contamination described above which began in or about late 1989 and which is continuing. More specifically, said contamination damaged, destroyed and/or otherwise interfered with the free and proper use and enjoyment of Plaintiffs' property (both personal and real), and the other damages referred to in those paragraphs incorporated by reference herein. As a result thereof, defendants, against whom this Cause of Action is asserted, wrongfully trespassed and/or allowed trespass as a result of the ongoing escape of pollutants into the environment and onto the land, property and vegetation belonging to plaintiffs by interfering with plaintiffs' possession and/or right to possession. Said interference as a direct result of the conduct of defendants as described in the paragraphs incorporated into this cause of action and through the conduct o defendants, the environmental contaminants were allowed to very adversely affect Plaintiffs, their property and use thereof.

19. Furthermore, said trespass was the direct result of an ultrahazardous activity, i.e., the improper use, disposal, management and other activities relative to the mine by which toxic and unhealthful levels of various contaminants, including, but not limited to mercury cyanide were placed into the applicable environment.

20. As a proximate result of the trespass of defendants, and each of them, plaintiffs' suffered damages as described in paragraphs incorporated herein by reference.

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235323 CASE NUMBER

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____ (SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____ (SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

—(OVER)—

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vs.	**PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER**
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I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor ~~of~~ the age of 16 years, having been born on 7-30-82 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Joyce Ward (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Joyce Ward (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: 8-2-98, 19____.

Jeremiah Ward
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Jeremiah Ward (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 8-2, 1998.

Joyce Ward
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

—(OVER)—

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor ~~of~~ the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____ (SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____ (SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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1. **PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).**

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of 18 years, having been born on 12/15/79 (BIRTH DATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. James A. Hooper (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my Father (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that James A. Hooper (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: 9th September, 1998.

Brett Hooper
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Brett Hooper (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9th September, 1998.

James A. Hooper
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor ~~of~~ the age of _____ years, having been born on 7-10-80 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Kathleen Dalton (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my Mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Kathleen Dalton (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19____.

Tara Dawn Hufford
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Tara Dawn Hufford (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9-4, 1998.

Kathleen Dalton
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of 17 years, having been born on 6/23/81 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. John Edmonds (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my Father (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that John Edmonds (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19____.

X [signature] (SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Eric Scott Edmonds (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9/1, 19 98.

John E Edmonds (SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor ~~of~~ the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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235325 SPC

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of 14 years, having been born on 5-24-84 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Lee Ann Riddle (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my Mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Lee Ann Riddle (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19____.

Grace Davis
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Grace Davis (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9-3, 19 98.

Lee A Riddle
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

—(OVER)—

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I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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CASE NUMBER 235325-SPC

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor ~~of~~ the age of 15 years, having been born on 3-5-83 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Lee Ann Riddle (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Lee Ann Riddle (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19____.

Samuel Davis
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Samuel Davis (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9/3, 19 98.

Lee A Riddle
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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PROOF OF SERVICE
(1013a, 2015.5 C.C.P.)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California in the office of a member of the bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made.

I am over the age of 18, and not party to the within action. My business address is 10850 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 530, California 90024.

On January 7, 1999 I served the following document(s) described as:

FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT

on the interested parties in this action by placing a true copy thereof in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:

Robin C. Cochran
Elizabeth Ashley Bianco
GRESHAM, SAVAGE, NOLAN & TILDEN
600 N. Arrowhead Ave., Suite 300
San Bernardino, CA 92401-1148

[XX] (BY MAIL) & Fax
On said date I placed such envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid in the United States mail at Los Angeles, California 90024.

[XX] I am "readily familiar" with the firm's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. It is deposited with the U.S. postal service on that same day in the ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than 1 day after date of deposit for mailing in affidavit.

[ ] (BY PERSONAL SERVICE)
I delivered such envelope by hand to the offices of the addressee.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct and that this declaration/certificate is executed at Los Angeles, California on January 7, 1999.

JACQUELINE SERRANO

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____ (SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____ (SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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Attorney(s) For PLAINTIFFS

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, KERN COUNTY

(TITLE OF ACTION)
GEORGE CREQUE, JR., etc., et al.,

vs.

CACTUS GOLD MINES COMPANY, INC., etc., et al.

CASE NUMBER
235323 SPC

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

—(OVER)—

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XZSYSA2 PAYMENT SUMMARY 10/24/00 12:19:52

CLAIM #: 985 0027505 POLICY #: SMP 31501167 ACCIDENT DATE: 12/24/80
INSURED: COCA MINES INC
CLMNT: CACTUS GOLD SITE

SUB NBR	VAL I D	CLM/ EXP	EXAMINER RSV	LAST VAL	PAY KIND	PYMTS TO DATE	LATEST DATE	NBR PMTS
001	PLLBI	CLM	1.00	10/19/00	60 CLM	135,000.00	10/19/00	1
		EXP	49,669.26	07/06/00	35 ATY	220,183.51	10/03/00	15
					37 MCE	54,270.49	10/03/00	13
TOTAL CLM			1.00			135,000.00		1
TOTAL EXP			49,669.26			274,454.00		28

COMMAND: PAYSUM

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12/24/82 - 7/30/84
CU 19 months 44%

12/24/80-82
Md 24 months 56%

Defense
120,759.76 - 44%

Indemnity
59,400 — 44%
50,000

10/24/00
Called Lynette Klawon - left message

10/26/00 Called Lynette Klawon - left message

10/30/00 " Spoke to Lynette about CU's participation at numbers referenced above. Explained that this is Maryland's demand - dsd may seek own recovery

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Coca Mines

RE: George Creque, Jr., et al. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et al.
Policyholder: CoCa Mines
Policy No.: SMP 31501167, effective dates 12/24/80-12/24/82
UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82

Dear Robert:

This is to confirm our agreement that the words "any entity, person" on the last line of page 4 of the agreement of settlement and release shall be changed to "COCA MINES, INC." We will note and initial that change and return the agreement to you.

Sincerely,

Mark Wielga

MW/lb

cc: John N. Galbavy, Esq. (via facsimile)

Temkin Wielga & Hardt LLP
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Denver, Colorado 80202
(303) 292-4922
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FROM: Mark Wielga **DATE:** October 13, 2000

PHONE: (303) 382-2919 **MATTER:** 001-06

Coca Mines - file

PLEASE DELIVER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO:

RECIPIENT	COMPANY	FAX NO.	PHONE NO.
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CLAIM #: 985 0027505 POLICY #: SMP 31501167 __ ACCIDENT DATE: 12/24/80
INSURED: COCA MINES INC CLMT: *** NUMBER OF CLMTS IS 2 ***

XREF#: ___ _____ REOPND TO XREF#: ___ _____ REOPND FRM XREF#: ___ _____
ACC LOCTN : MOJAVE CA CITY: MOJAVE ST: CA
DESCRPTN: INSD'S OPERATIONS ALLEGEDLY CONTAMINATED AREA IN MOJAVE, CA.
INJRY/DMG: ALLEGED RELEASE OF POLLUTANTS
OCCR CODE: ____ CAT CODE: ___
CLAIMS MADE IND: O REOPEN IND: N

	PD TO DATE	EXMNR RSV	CURRENT VAL	RECOVERY
CLAIM	0.00	52500.00	52500.00	0.00
EXPENSE	274454.00	149669.26	424123.26	0.00

NBR VAL IDS OPENED: 2 CLOSED: 0 OUTSTANDING: 2 RDR: _

SETUP TYPE: R DTE: 06/18/99 SUIT: _ LIAB IND: U PET: _ CMPSBLTY IND: _
CLSD: __/__/__ LAST ACT: 08/04/00 REF BR NBR: __ RCVY STAT: NOT APPLICABLE
SUPERVISOR: EDWARDS, BOB PRDCR: VAN GILDER INSURANCE CORPORA
SCR PD ENT: N SPVSR DIARY: __/__/__ STATUS: OPN
COMMAND: CASSMRY

275,000

44% - 121,000

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3 Lawsuits attached naming Jerry Lee Ford as a defendant
(One is in Small claims Court)

Please contact undersigned - complete conflicts check
begin defending O/I

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September 11, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
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Baltimore, Maryland 21211

Re: George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company, Inc., et. al.
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UB 11822059, effective dates 6/4/81-6/4/82
UB 21826561, effective dates 6/4/82-12/24/82
Claim No.: 985-0027505 001 A1

Dear Mr. Edwards:

In your letter dated July 30, 1999, Zurich agreed to accept defense of the above case. From our prior correspondence and discussions, it is my understanding that Zurich would be paying 90% of the costs of defense in the above referenced matter. From discussions I've had with Mark Wielga, Esq., it is also my understanding that in addition to contribution towards settlement, Zurich will continue to reimburse Hecla 90% of the attorney's fees and costs from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden until this matter is completely closed.

As of the date of this letter, we still have not received the payment for the month of June. Enclosed are copies of the letter requesting payment from Zurich dated July 28, 2000, the invoice dated July 12, 2000 from Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden in the amount of $55,018.59 for services rendered for the month of June and the check which Hecla sent to Gresham, Savage, Nolan & Tilden. Since there is substantial delay in payment by Zurich, Hecla has paid these invoices directly. Please reimburse Hecla the amount of $49,516.73.

By directly paying these invoices, Hecla is not waiving any rights and specifically reserves all rights it may have for reimbursement or payment of defense costs and expenses incurred in connection with this litigation.

Very truly yours,

HECLA MINING COMPANY

John N. Galbavy
Corporate Counsel

JNG:csm
Enclosures

c: Michael B. White, Esq.
Mark Wielga, Esq.
Duke Rouse, Esq.

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Hecla
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July 28, 2000

Mr. Robert Edwards
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Legal Services
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Baltimore, Maryland 21211

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GRES100 GRESHAM SAVAGE NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP Check No: 0110-062632

Date	Invoice	Reference	Gr ..s	Deduct.	Net Amt
Jul12/00	0110-103521	PJ5974 H.O.	41,794.65	0.00	41,794.65
Jul12/00	0110-103521	PJ5974 H.O.	13,223.94	0.00	13,223.94
Check date Jul 27, 2000		Total	55,018.59	0.00	55,018.59

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PLEASE DETACH BEFORE DEPOSITING

Hecla MINING COMPANY

HECLA MINING COMPANY
6500 MINERAL DRIVE
COEUR d' ALENE, ID 83814-8788

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1241

DATE: Jul 27, 2000

CHECK NUMBER: 0110-062632

PAY EXACTLY: $55,018.59

***55018 DOLLARS & 59 CENTS

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

GRESHAM SAVAGE NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP
SUITE 300
600 NORTH ARROWHEAD AVENUE
SAN BERNARDINO CA 92401

HECLA MINING COMPANY

FIRST SECURITY BANK OF IDAHO
301 SHERMAN AVE.
COEUR d' ALENE, IDAHO 83814

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Robert Edwards
Tel. (410) 338-1573
Fax (410) 554-5042

September 14, 2000

Lynette Klawon, Esq.
Selman Brightman
11766 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90025-6538

RE:	Your Client:	Commercial Union
	Policyholder:	CoCa Mines
	Matter:	George Creque, Jr. v. Cactus Gold Mines Company Inc.

Dear Ms. Klawon:

This letter will serve as a follow-up to previous correspondence directed to your attention in connection with the above referenced matter. In addition, this letter will serve to advise you that the above referenced matter settled. Our company defended our mutual insured and will make a significant contribution towards settling the litigation. I would like the opportunity to further discuss with you and possibly a representative from Commercial Union a way that we can resolve the outstanding issues associated with this matter. I look forward to talking to you at your convenience.

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3910 Keswick Road
Baltimore, Maryland
21211

Telephone (410) 366-1000
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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Robert Edwards
(410) 338-1573

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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND MUTUAL GENERAL RELEASE

PARTIES: Those individuals identified on attached Exhibit "A" ("Plaintiffs"), Plaintiffs in Kern County Superior Court Case No. 235323-RDR (the "Action"); Cactus Gold Mine Companies, a joint venture; Coca Mines, Inc.; Hecla Mining Company, Inc.; Compass Mining, Inc.; MBPL, a Colorado limited partnership; Charles Aston; Scott Bennett; and Jim Brady (collectively "Cactus Parties" or "Defendants"), Defendants in the Action; and Steven L. Zelig, the Law Offices of Steven L. Zelig and Associates and Pamela Mozer (collectively "Plaintiffs' Counsel"), counsel of record for Plaintiffs.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The date the last signature is affixed hereto.

RECITALS:

A. WHEREAS, the Action is now pending among the parties in Kern County Superior Court as referenced above;

B. WHEREAS, Plaintiffs allege certain claims for damages arising out of the operation of a mining operation(s) located at an area commonly known as the Cactus Gold Mine site, including but not limited to the area where the Middle Buttes and Shumake projects were located) (the "Site");

C. WHERAS, Plaintiffs have alleged that Cactus Parties are in part responsible for their claimed damages as a result of Cactus Parties' involvement at the Site.

D. WHEREAS, Plaintiffs and Defendants now desire to resolve the Action, and mutually release each other from any liability and obligation in connection therewith; and

E. WHEREAS, The parties now desirous of settling and finally resolving the litigation pending between them, hereby enter into this "Agreement" to settle and compromise this dispute.

AGREEMENT:

In consideration for the promises and performances hereafter described, the parties agree as follows:

1. Settlement and Release. Except as otherwise provided herein and except as to the indemnification and hold harmless agreement by Plaintiffs' Counsel in favor of Cactus Parties as discussed below, the parties hereto hereby irrevocably and unconditionally release, acquit, and forever discharge each other and each of their heirs,

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successors, assignees, [illegible]ent companies, subsidiaries, officers a[illegible] directors, attorneys and all persons acting by, through, under or in concert with them, or any of them, from any and all charges, complaints, claims, liabilities, obligations, promises, agreements, controversies, damages, actions, causes of action, suits, rights, demands, costs, losses, debts, and expenses (including attorneys' fees and costs actually incurred) of any nature whatsoever, known or unknown, which the parties now have, own, or hold, or claim to have, own or hold, or which the parties at any time heretofore had, owned or held, or claimed to have, owned or held, or which the parties at any time hereafter may have, own or hold, or claim to have, own, or hold against each or any of the other parties, arising from acts or omissions arising out of the mining, processing, and smelting of minerals and other substances and geological components, the use of cyanide technology, and/or related activities at or about the Site prior to the date of execution of this Agreement, and as to all additional facts and circumstances set forth and related to the Action. Further, the parties hereto hereby waive the benefits of the provisions of Section 1542 of the Civil Code of the State of California which reads as follows:

> A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which, if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.

2. Consideration and Performance.

A. Cactus Parties will pay to Plaintiffs the total sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents ($300,000.00), payable as follows:

* $100,000.00 upon final execution of this agreement and upon obtaining all necessary approvals from the Court for the enforceability of the agreement;

* $200,000.00 paid on or before close of business December 31, 2000; and

* Each party shall bear their own costs and attorneys' fees in this matter. The total amount payable is to be allocated among the Plaintiffs in the manner agreed upon in the retention agreement entered into between Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' counsel.

In the event that payment in full is not made as provided herein, Plaintiffs shall be entitled to immediately enter judgment for the balance due. In addition, the Cactus Parties shall pay an additional penalty of $5,000.00 per day until paid to be included in the judgment.

By executing this Agreement where indicated below, Plaintiffs' Counsel agrees to fully indemnify and hold harmless Cactus Parties and their successors and assigns for any claims for damages made by Plaintiffs, or any other individuals or assigns related thereto, as a result of a challenge to the settlement approval/apportionment procedure utilized by Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' Counsel in obtaining authorization for the execution and performance of

* Checks shall be made payable as follows: [illegible]

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this Agreement. Said indemnification and hold harmless shall be for any and all damages suffered by Cactus Parties, including, but not limited to, the incurrence of any attorneys fees or costs.

C. The above-referenced release and waiver of claims is incorporated herein.

D. This agreement is also condition upon the Court's approval of any necessary claims for minor's compromises but such approval is a condition Cactus Parties may waive if it so chooses. Plaintiffs may use a procedure provided for in Plaintiffs' retention agreement with Plaintiffs' Counsel for approval of this Agreement by any minor Plaintiffs. As discussed above in Paragraph Number 2, subparagraph B, Plaintiffs' Counsel agrees to indemnify and hold Cactus Parties harmless, for any claims made by or on behalf of any minors that the settlement approval/apportionment procedure utilized was/is invalid, unenforceable or otherwise improper. Said indemnification and hold harmless shall be for any and all damages suffered by Cactus Parties, including, but not limited to, the incurrence of any attorneys fees or costs.

3. Advice of Counsel. The parties hereto understand and acknowledge the significance and consequence of waiving Section 1542 of the Civil Code of the State of California and has discussed said waiver with their attorneys.

4. Warranty of Volitional Agreement. Plaintiffs, Defendants and Plaintiffs' Counsel warrant and represent that this Agreement is freely and voluntarily executed by the parties, and each of them, after having been apprised of all of the relevant information and data by their respective attorneys. The parties executing this Agreement warrant and represent that they have not relied on any inducements, promises or representations made by any party or its representative, or any other person, except for those expressly set forth herein.

and/or is executed in accord. w/ the terms & intent of Pls' counsel

5. Warranty of Mutual Understanding. Plaintiffs, Defendants and Plaintiffs' Counsel warrant and represent that they have read this Agreement and Release and that they have had the terms used herein and the consequences hereof explained to them by their respective attorneys; that each is of legal age and/or legally competent to execute this Agreement and accept full responsibility therefore. It is expressly understood by the parties, and each of them, by reason of the consideration hereinabove mentioned, that the parties admit no liability of any sort and have made no representations as to any liabilities or obligations and have made no agreements or promises to do or admit to do any act or thing not set forth herein.

6. Warranty of Performance. Each party hereto agrees to promptly and as expeditiously as possible carry out and execute hers, his or its responsibilities under the

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terms of this Agreement and to execute any and all documents which may be necessary from time to time in the future to implement the terms of this Agreement.

7. Covenants and Attorneys' Fees. Except as otherwise provided for herein, the parties agree and covenant that they will not institute, maintain or aid any action at law or any proceeding in equity against each other, or any of his, hers or its directors, officers, employees, servants, agents, or brokers, or make any other claim for damages or relief whatsoever against any other party based upon or related in any way to the claims in the aforesaid lawsuit. The parties further agree that this Agreement may be plead as a full and complete defense to, and may be used as a basis for an injunction against, any action, any suit or other proceeding which may be instituted, prosecuted, or attempted in breach of this Agreement; and agree to indemnify, hold and save harmless any party or parties so sued from all such loss, damage, or other cause, including reasonable attorneys' fees and other costs and expenses in preparing the defense of said suit, preparing and proving the existence and validity of this Agreement and all other expenses of defending said suit, whether such costs and expenses are taxable or otherwise.

8. Warranty of Right. The parties each warrant no other person or entity has or had or claims to have had any interest in the claims, demands, causes of action, obligations, damages or liabilities described herein; that he, she or it has not sold, assigned, transferred, conveyed, or otherwise disposed of any claim, demand, cause of action, obligation, damage or liability covered herein.

9. Binding Effect. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of all successors, assigns and heirs of the parties.

10. Modification Must Be In Writing. This Agreement may not be altered, amended or modified, except by writing executed by duly authorized representatives of all parties.

11. Construction. Should any paragraph, clause or provision of this Agreement be construed to be against public policy or determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be void, invalid or unenforceable, such construction and decision shall affect only those paragraphs, clauses or provisions so construed or interpreted, and shall in no way affect the remaining paragraphs, clauses or provisions of this Agreement which shall remain in force.

12. Entire Agreement. This Agreement states the entire agreement among the parties who have executed this Agreement and supersedes their prior agreements, negotiations or understandings. Each of these parties acknowledges and agrees that no other party, nor agent, nor attorney of any of the parties made any promise, representation or warranty, express or implied, not set forth in this Agreement. Each party signing this Agreement acknowledges that such party has not executed this Agreement on reliance on any promise, representation, conduct or warranty of any other party not expressly set forth herein.

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14. Subject Headings. Subject headings used in this Agreement are for convenience only. The singular shall include the plural and the masculine shall include the feminine and neuter genders.

15. Counterpart. This Agreement may be executed in a number of counterparts and each counterpart signature shall, when taken with all other signatures, be treated as if executed upon one original.

16. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed and governed by the laws of the State of California.

Dated: 8-25-00 — per proxy
Stephanie L. Abrahamson

Dated: _____ — NP
Rikki Allen

Dated: _____
Krystel Adams

Dated: 8-25-2000 — Jose A. Arevalo Father
Jose A. Arevalo Jr.
Jose A. Arevalo

Dated: 8-25-2000 — Romelia Arevalo
Romelia Arevalo

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Dated: 8-25-00 _____ Yesenia Arevalo
Yesenia Arevalo, a minor, by Romelia Garcia her Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8-25-00 _____ Gabriel Arevalo
Gabriel Arevalo, a minor, by Romelia Garcia his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8-25-00 _____ Israel Arevalo
Israel Arevalo, a minor, by Romelia Garcia his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8-25-00 _____ per proxy
Kathleen Bowen

Dated: 8-25-00 _____ " "
Lee Bowen

Dated: _____
John V. Breiding

Dated: _____
Jeannette Butler

Dated: _____
Verl L. Butler aka Veal Butler

Dated: _____
Geary Lee Cook

Dated: _____
Patricia Ann Cook

Dated: _____
Richard Croy

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Dated: _____ _____
Patricia Croy

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Kathy Dalton

Dated: _____ _____
Nancy Davidson

Dated: 8 25 00 _____
Heather M. Edmonds

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
John E. Edmonds

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Shelley L. Edmonds

Dated: 8/25/00 _____
Eric Scott Edmonds, a minor, by John Edmonds his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Thomas Edmonds

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Brian E. Ellis

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Brian M. Ellis

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Pamela A. Ellis

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Dated: 8-25-00

Daniel D. Ellis, a minor, by Pamela Ellis his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8-25-00

Rebecca Ellis, a minor, by Pamela Ellis her Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8-25-00

Davina Fisher

Dated: 8-25-00

Amanda M. Fisher, a minor, by Davina Fisher her Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8-25-00

Krystal Fisher

Dated: 8-25-00

Michael Fisher

Dated: 8-25-00

Nina Fox

Dated: 8/25/00

James A. Hooper

Dated: 8/25/00

Marlene Hooper

Dated: 8/25/00

Tara Hufford

Dated:

Joan M. Johnson

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Dated: _____ _____
Robert W. Johnson

Dated: _____ _____
David Langaard

Dated: _____ _____
Mona Langaard

Dated: 08-25-00 _____ Donald L. Leavitt
Donald L. Leavitt

Dated: _____ _____ NP
Alexander C. Longrifle

Dated: 8-25-00 _____ Sandra J Lopez by proxy Kathleen Allen
Sandra J Lopez

Dated: _____ _____
Emily Miers

Dated: _____ _____
Robert Miers

Dated: _____ _____
Nolan Page Milburn, Sr.

Dated: _____ _____
Rita Ann Milburn

Dated: _____ _____
Rusty D. Ness

Dated: 8-25-00 _____ proxy
Deborah D. Popolizio

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Dated: 8-25 _____ Steven A. Popolizio, Jr.

Dated: _____ Jimmie L. Quinton

Dated: 8-25-00 Mark Riddle

Dated: 8-25-00 Lee Ann Riddle

Dated: 8 25 00 Jared Riddle, a minor, by Mark D. Riddle, his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8 25 00 Jesse Riddle, a minor, by Mark D. Riddle, his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8 25 00 Cameron Davis-Justus, a minor, by Mark D. Riddle, his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8 25 00 Grace T. Davis, a minor, by Mark D. Riddle, her Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8 25 00 Samuel D. Davis, a minor, by Mark D. Riddle, his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8-25-00 _____ Alfonso Sanchez

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CACTUS 5

Dated: _____ _____
Hilary Sanchez, a minor, by Toni Sanchez, her Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: _____ _____
Joseph Sanchez, a minor, by Toni Sanchez, his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: _____ _____
Kayla Sanchez, a minor, by Toni Sanchez, her Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: _____ _____
Toni Sanchez

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Julio Sanchez-Orsini

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Mignonne Sanchez-Orsini

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Phillip Santiago

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Carl M. Sutton, a minor, by Debra D. Scherer, his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: _____ _____
Christine Sullivan

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Timothy L. Scherer

Dated: 8-25-00 _____
Debra D. Scherer

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Cactus 5

Dated: 8-25-00 — Debra Scherer
Ricki L. Scherer, a minor, by Debra D. Scherer, her Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8-25-00 — Debra Scherer
Ryan M. Scherer, a minor, by Debra D. Scherer, his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8-25-00 — James C. Stidham
James C. Stidham

Dated: 08-25-2000 — Bonnie Ward
Bonnie Ward

Dated: 8/25/00 — John M. Ward
John M. Ward

Dated: 8/25/00 — Debra Scherer by proxy
Joyce Ward

Dated: 8/25/00 — Debra Scherer by proxy
Meaghan Ward, a minor, by Joyce Ward, her Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8/25/00 — Debra Scherer by proxy
Jeremiah Ward, a minor, by Joyce Ward, his Guardian Ad Litem

Dated: 8/25/2000 — Anna Belle Woody
Anna Belle Woody

Dated: — James B. Woody
James B. Woody

Dated: 8-25-00 — Gwen Woody
Gwen Woody

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Dated: 8/25/2000

John A. Wright

John A. Wright

Dated: _____

_____ NP

Robin Breiding

Dated: _____

BROWN & ROOT, INC.

By_____

Its_____

Dated: 8/25/00

THE LAW OFFICES OF STEVEN L. ZELIG AND ASSOCIATES

By_____

Steven L. Zelig

Dated: 8/25/00

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Pamela Mozer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dated: _____

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By_____

Steven D. Zelig

Dated: _____

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By_____

Timothy Jones

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Hecla Mining Company, Inc.

Dated: 8/25/00

By John N. Dalbury

Its Corporate Counsel

Compass Mining, Inc.

Dated: _____

By _____

Its _____

MBPL, a Colorado limited partnership

Cola Mines Inc
General Partner

Dated: 8/25/00

By John N. Dalbury

Its Corporate Counsel

Dated: _____

_____
Charles Aston

Dated: _____

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Scott Bennett

Dated: _____

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Jim Brady

Dated: _____

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By _____
Steven L. Zelig

Dated: 8-25-00

GRESHAM, SAVAGE, NOLAN & TILDEN, LLP

By _____
Duke D. Rouse

Dated: _____ _____
Anna Belle Woody

Dated: _____ _____
James B. Woody

Dated: _____ _____
Gwen Woody

Dated: _____ _____
John A. Wright

Dated: _____ _____
Robin Breiding

Dated: _____ _____
Nolan Page Milburn, Sr.

Dated: _____ _____
Rita Ann Milburn

Cactus Gold Mine Companies, a joint venture
Coca Mines, Inc, Manager

Dated: 8/25/00

By John N. Salbary
Its Corporate Counsel

Coca Mines, Inc.

Dated: 8/25/00

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PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of 16 years, having been born on 7-30-82 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Joyce Ward (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Joyce Ward (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: 8-2-98, 19____.

Jeremiah Ward
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Jeremiah Ward (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 8-2, 19 98.

Joyce Ward
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____ (SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____ (SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor ~~of~~ the age of 18 years, having been born on 12/15/79 (BIRTH DATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. James A. Hooper (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my Father (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that James A. Hooper (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: 9th September, 1998.

Brett Hooper
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Brett Hooper (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9th September, 1998.

James A. Hooper
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on 7-10-80 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Kathleen Dalton (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my Mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Kathleen Dalton (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19____.

Tara Dayne Huffard
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for TARA DAYNE Huffard (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9-4, 1998.

Kathleen Dalton
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I. **PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).**

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of 17 years, having been born on 6/23/81 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. John Edmonds (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my Father (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that John Edmonds (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19____.

X [signature]
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Eric Scott Edmonds (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9/1, 19 98.

John E Edmonds
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

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B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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235325 SPC

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I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor ~~of~~ the age of 14 years, having been born on 5-24-84 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Lee Ann Riddle (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my Mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Lee Ann Riddle (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19____.

Grace Davis
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Grace Davis (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9-3, 19 98.

Lee A. Riddle
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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235329-SPC

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☐ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of _____ years, having been born on _____ (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my _____ (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that _____ (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

_____
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for _____ (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19_____.

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(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

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NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMB. OF ATTORNEY(S)
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, KERN COUNTY

(TITLE OF ACTION)
GEORGE CREQUE, JR., etc., et al.,
vs.
CACTUS GOLD MINES COMPANY, INC., etc., et al.

CASE NUMBER
235323 SPC

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM, AND ORDER

I. PETITION BY MINOR (if minor is 14 years or older).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I am the ☒ plaintiff ☐ defendant in the above-entitled action.

B. I am a minor of the age of 15 years, having been born on 3-5-83 (BIRTHDATE).

C. Appointment of a guardian ad litem is necessary because I have no general guardian.

D. Lee Ann Riddle (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) is my mother (PARENT/RELATIVE/FRIEND).

E. Therefore, I request that Lee Ann Riddle (NAME OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN) be appointed guardian ad litem for me in this action.

F. This declaration is executed this date: _____, 19____.

Samuel Davis
(SIGNATURE OF MINOR PETITIONER)

CONSENT OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN, for minor 14 or older.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the following is true:

A. I consent to the appointment of myself as guardian ad litem for Samuel Davis (NAME OF MINOR) in this action.

B. I have no interest adverse to the interest of the minor.

C. This declaration is executed this date: 9/3, 19 98.

Lee Ann Riddle
(SIGNATURE OF PROPOSED GUARDIAN)

—(OVER)—

PROOF OF SERVICE
(1013a, 2015.5 C.C.P.)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California in the office of a member of the bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made.

I am over the age of 18, and not party to the within action. My business address is 10850 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 530, California 90024.

On January 7, 1999 I served the following document(s) described as:

FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT

on the interested parties in this action by placing a true copy thereof in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:

Robin C. Cochran
Elizabeth Ashley Bianco
GRESHAM, SAVAGE, NOLAN & TILDEN
600 N. Arrowhead Ave., Suite 300
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[XX] (BY MAIL) & Fax
On said date I placed such envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid in the United States mail at Los Angeles, California 90024.

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I delivered such envelope by hand to the offices of the addressee.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct and that this declaration/certificate is executed at Los Angeles, California on January 7, 1999.

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