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APPROVAL OF A
PROSPECTING PERMIT FOR MINERALS
OTHER THAN OIL, GAS, GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES,
SAND AND GRAVEL, INYO COUNTY

APPLICANT:

Johnson Exploration and Minerals Company

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Pahrump, Nevada 89041

Agent: Frederic C. Johnson III

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Tecopa, California 92389

PROPOSED AUTHORIZATION:

Approval of a Prospecting Permit for two years to prospect for gold, silver and other valuable minerals, other than oil, gas, geothermal resources, sand and gravel, on approximately 640 acres of land, located

in Inyo County.

CONSIDERATION: Filing fee of \$25, expense deposit of \$100

and an acreage deposit of \$640.

TYPE OF LAND AND LOCATION:

State school land - Section 36, T21N R5E, SBM, Inyo County, ten miles southwest of

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PROPOSED PROJECT:

The applicant will conduct geologic mapping and chip sampling of surface rocks in the permit area to prospect for gold and silver mineralization. This work will be done by a geologist on foot.

TERM:

The primary term of a Prospecting Permit is two years. The Commission may, in its discretion, extend the term for one additional year.

ROYALTY:

Royalty payable under the permit shall be 20 percent of the gross value of the minerals secured from the permit area and sold or otherwise disposed of or held for sale or other disposition.

PREREQUISITE ITEMS:

- Required statutory filing fee, expense deposit and acreage deposit have been submitted by the applicant.
- Subject parcel is not known to contain a commercially valuable deposit of minerals.
- 3. Royalty payable under any preferential lease issued shall be as follows: Not less than ten percent of the gross value of all minerals produced from the leased lands, less any charges incurred by the lessee and approved by the State, in processing and transporting said minerals.

STATUTORY REFERENCES:

A. P.R.C.: Div. 6, Section 6891.

B. Cal. Adm. Code: Title 2, Section 2200.

AB 884:

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OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

 This project is exempt from CEQA because it is a geologic information collecting activity.

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Authority: Class 6 categorical exemption, 14 Cal. Adm. Code 15106; P.R.C. Section 21084.

- 2. The project is situated on lands not identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to P.R.C. 6370.1, and is unclassified. A staff review of available environmental information indicates no reason to identify the subject parcel as having such values at this time.
- 3. Any change in the proposed prospecting activities will require an environmental review pursuant to CEQA Regulations.
- 4. Pursuant to P.R.C. Section 6895, the applicant would have a preferential right to a lease for a maximum of 160 acres embraced within the permit. Said right shall be subject to all necessary environmental approvals. The permit will not affect the discretion of the Commission in granting or denying such environmental approvals.

APPROVALS OBTAINED:

Pursuant to P.R.C. Section 6890, the subject permit application has been approved by the Office of the Attorney General as to compliance with applicable provisions of the law.

EXHIBITS:

A. Land Description.

B. Site Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. DETERMINE THAT AN ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT HAS NOT BEEN PREPARED FOR THIS ACTIVITY AS SUCH DOCUMENT IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF P.R.C. 21084, 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15100 ET SEQ., AND 2 CAL. ADM. CODE 2905. THIS PROJECT SHALL INCLUDE THIS PERMIT AND ANY EXTENSION THE COMMISSION MAY GRANT IN ITS DISCRETION FOR THE SAME PROJECT DESCRIBED IN THE PERMIT.

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- 2. DETERMINE THAT THE LANDS DESCRIBED IN THE PERMIT ARE NOT KNOWN TO CONTAIN COMMERCIALLY VALUABLE DEPOSITS OF MINERALS.
- 3. AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF THE PROSPECTING PERMIT TO JOHNSON EXPLORATION AND MINERALS COMPANY FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS, FOR ALL MINERALS, OTHER THAN OIL, GAS, GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES, SAND AND GRAVEL, ON SECTION 36, T21N R5E, SBM, INYO COUNTY, CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 640 ACRES; IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARD FORM OF PERMIT. ROYALTY PAYABLE UNDER THE PERMIT SHALL BE 20 PERCENT. ROYALTY PAYABLE UNDER ANY PREFERENTIAL LEASE ISSUED UPON THE DISCOVERY OF COMMERCIALLY VALUABLE DEPOSITS FOR ANY AND ALL MATERIALS EXTRACTED OR REMOVED FROM SAID PREMISES FOR SALE OR STOCKPILING SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN TEN PERCENT OF THE GROSS REVENUE, LESS SPECIFIC CHARGES, AS APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION, RELATED TO TRANSPORTING AND PROCESSING, AS SET FORTH IN SAID LEASE; THE DETERMINATION OF SAID ROYALTIES SHALL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COMMISSION.

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EXHIBIT "A"

LAND DESCRIPTION

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A parcel of California State school lands in Inyo County, California, described as follows:

Section 36, T21N, R5E, SBM.

END OF DESCRIPTION

PREFARED JANUARY 31, 1983 BY BOUNDARY AND TITLE UNIT, LEROY WEED, SUPERVISOR.

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