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August 28, 2014

Nigel Bain
Mine General Manager
Barrick Turquoise Ridge, Inc.
HC 66, PO Box 220
Golconda, Nevada 89414

RE: Notice of Alleged Air Quality Violation and Order Nos. 2489, 2490 and 2491 Class II Air Quality Operating Permit AP1041-0292.02 (FIN A0389)

Dear Mr. Bain:

On April 15, 2014, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) held an enforcement conference with Barrick Turquoise Ridge, Inc. (Barrick) to discuss supporting information regarding the draft Notice of Alleged Violation and Order (NOAV) Nos. 2489, 2490 and 2491. As a result of that meeting, NDEP formally issued NOAV Nos. 2489, 2490 and 2491. See attached.

NDEP sent NOAV Nos. 2489, 2490 and 2491 via certified mail on April 28, 2014, notifying Barrick of its appeal rights pursuant to NRS 445B.340 and NRS 445B.360. Barrick did not appeal the NOAVs. Therefore, the State Environmental Commission (SEC) will determine the appropriate penalty for the violations contained in the above referenced NOAVs on **Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.** in the Bryan Building in Carson City, Nevada (901 S. Stewart Street, 2nd Floor Tahoe Room).

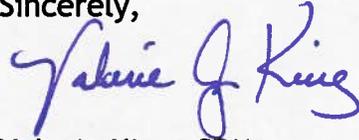
Pursuant to NRS 445B.640(1), the SEC may approve an administrative penalty of not more than \$10,000 per day per violation. During the October 8 meeting, NDEP will provide the SEC with a brief overview of the NOAVs and its recommendation for an administrative penalty of \$9,000.00. This recommended penalty was calculated using a penalty matrix previously approved by the SEC.

Although your presence is not required at this meeting, you or a representative may wish to attend to speak on behalf of Barrick.

The SEC may, without further notice, take administrative action against Barrick if the SEC determines that such administrative action is warranted after it considers NOAV Nos. 2489, 2490 and 2491.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact me at (775) 687-9374.

Sincerely,



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