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RE: Notice of Alleged Air Quality Violation No. 2474
Class II Air Quality Operating Permit AP2819-0050.03 (FIN A0452)

Dear Mr. Dunn:

On February 4, 2014, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) held an enforcement conference with Rockwood Lithium, Inc. (Rockwood) to discuss supporting information regarding the draft Notice of Alleged Violation and Order (NOAV) No. 2474. As a result of that meeting, NDEP formally issued NOAV No. 2474; see attached.

NDEP sent NOAV No. 2474 via certified mail on February 28, 2014 notifying Rockwood of its appeal rights pursuant to NRS 445B.340 and NRS 445B.360. Rockwood did not appeal the NOAV. Therefore, the State Environmental Commission (SEC) will determine the appropriate penalty for the violation contained in the above referenced NOAV during the May 2, 2014 meeting. This meeting will be held on Friday, May 2, 2014 at 10:00 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 May 2 meeting, NDEP will provide the SEC with a brief overview of the NOAV and its recommendation for an administrative penalty of \$5,000.00, which has been calculated from a penalty matrix previously approved by the Commission.

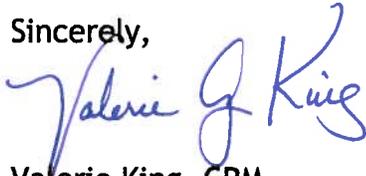
The SEC will determine the penalty by either accepting NDEP's recommendation or increasing or decreasing the penalty recommendation based on the information presented at the meeting.

Your presence is not required at the May 2, 2014 meeting, although you or a representative may wish to attend and speak on behalf of Rockwood.

The SEC may, without further notice, take administrative action against Rockwood if the SEC determines that such administrative action is warranted after it considers NOAV 2474.

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

Sincerely,



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