



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

by the
State of Nevada
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Air Quality Planning

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 445B and the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445B, the Division of Environmental Protection is issuing the following notice.

The Administrator received applications to issue a Phase-1 Mercury Operating Permits to Construct from the following applicants:

1) <i>Barrick Bald Mountain Mine</i>	<i>Bald Mountain</i>	<i>PO Box 2706</i>	<i>Elko, NV 89803</i>
2) <i>Barrick Cortez, Inc.</i>	<i>Cortez-Pipeline</i>	<i>HC 66 Box 1250</i>	<i>Crescent Valley, NV 89821</i>
3) <i>Barrick Goldstrike Mines, Inc.</i>	<i>Goldstrike</i>	<i>PO Box 29</i>	<i>Elko, NV 89803</i>
4) <i>Coeur Rochester, Inc.</i>	<i>Coeur Rochester</i>	<i>PO Box 1057</i>	<i>Lovelock, NV 89419</i>
5) <i>Florida Canyon Mining, Inc.</i>	<i>Florida Canyon</i>	<i>PO Box 330</i>	<i>Imlay, NV 89418</i>
6) <i>Homestake Mining Co.</i>	<i>Ruby Hill</i>	<i>PO Box 676</i>	<i>Eureka, NV 89316</i>
7) <i>Hycroft Resources & Development, Inc.</i>	<i>Crofoot/Lewis</i>	<i>PO Box 3030</i>	<i>Winnemucca, NV 89446</i>
8) <i>Kennecott-Rawhide Mining Co.</i>	<i>Denton-Rawhide</i>	<i>PO Box 2070</i>	<i>Fallon, NV 89407</i>
9) <i>Marigold Mining Co.</i>	<i>Marigold</i>	<i>PO Box 160</i>	<i>Valmy, NV 89438</i>
10) <i>Newmont Mining Corporation</i>	<i>Gold Quarry</i>	<i>PO Box 669</i>	<i>Carlin, NV 89822</i>
11) <i>Newmont Mining Corporation</i>	<i>Lone Tree</i>	<i>PO Box 388</i>	<i>Valmy, NV 89438</i>
12) <i>Newmont Mining Corporation</i>	<i>Midas</i>	<i>HC 66 Box 125</i>	<i>Midas, NV 89414</i>
13) <i>Newmont Mining Corporation</i>	<i>Phoenix</i>	<i>PO Box 1657</i>	<i>Battle Mountain, NV 89820</i>
14) <i>Newmont Mining Corporation</i>	<i>Twin Creeks</i>	<i>PO Box 69</i>	<i>Golconda, NV 89414</i>
15) <i>Round Mountain Gold Corporation</i>	<i>Smoky Valley</i>	<i>PO Box 480</i>	<i>Round Mountain, NV 89045</i>

The Administrator has prepared tentative determinations regarding the operating permits that, in brief, affect the following sources: ore roasters, ore dryers, ore pre-heaters, calcine quench circuits, autoclaves, carbon kilns, retorts, melt furnaces, electrowinning systems, pregnant tanks, barren tanks and drying ovens.

The tentative Phase-1 Mercury Operating Permits to Construct activities include monitoring, recordkeeping, annual stack testing for mercury emissions, annual emissions reporting, annual mercury co-product reporting, limits of operation and work practice standards which minimize emissions of mercury to the atmosphere. Other tentative permit contents include Presumptive NvMACT status pursuant to NAC 445B.3651 & 445B.3653 and Early Reduction Credit project status.

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS and the NAC, the Administrator is hereby announcing his intent to issue Phase-1 Mercury Operating Permits to Construct based on review of the information, as proposed. A copy of the draft operating permits is available for public inspection at:

HUMBOLDT COUNTY LIBRARY, 85 EAST 5TH ST., WINNEMUCCA, NV 89445

ELKO COUNTY LIBRARY, 720 COURT ST., ELKO, NV 89801

CHURCHILL COUNTY LIBRARY, 553 SOUTH MAINE ST., FALLON, NV 89406

PERSHING COUNTY LIBRARY, 1125 CENTRAL AVE., LOVELOCK, NV 89419

WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY, 301 SOUTH CENTER ST., RENO, NV 89501

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding this proposed action or to request a hearing pursuant to NRS 445B Air Pollution and NAC 445B Air Controls should submit their comments or request in writing either in person or by mail or fax within thirty (30) days to:

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The application, draft permit, any comments received, and other relevant information may be copied at the above address or copies may be obtained by requesting in writing at the above address. Written comments or objections, will be received at the Division of Environmental Protection, above address, until **February 25, 2009** and will be retained and considered prior to final action on the Phase-1 Mercury Operating Permit to Construct.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know may be interested in this matter.