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Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Leo M. Drozdoff, P.E., Administrator

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Notice of Proposed Action

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for the renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit, as a Closure Permit, for the Rain Project, a mining and beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for renewal of Water Pollution Control Permit NEV0087011 is:

Newmont Mining Corporation P.O. Box 669 Carlin, Nevada 89822-0669

The facility is located in Sections 3, 4 and 9 of Township 31 North, Range 53 East and Sections 33 and 34 of Township 32 North, Range 53, Mount Diablo Baseline & Meridian, approximately 9 miles southeast of the town of Carlin in Eureka County. This project is in closure. The facility consists of one heap leach pad; one heap process pond; one tailings impoundment with associated seepage collection system; two open pits - one containing a pit lake; two waste rock dumps, each with a seepage collection system; underground workings; associated roads; mill building and associated structures; truck shop; water supply well and power substation.

The Administrator is constrained to issue a renewed Water Pollution Control Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative determination to issue the renewed permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Water Pollution Control Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445A, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery, United States Postal Service, facsimile, or email no later than 5:00 PM on the 30th day following the date of publication of this notice (submittal deadline 12 June 2009) to:

Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation Attn: Karl McCrea 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, NV 89701

All comments, objections, or requests received via facsimile before 5:00 pm 12 July 2009 will also be considered in the final determination regarding this permit. If the Division determines written

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comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The permit and all application documents subsequent thereto are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS 445A.665. For more information, contact Mr. Karl McCrea at (775) 687-9407 or (775) 687-9400, or visit our website at http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm