Permit No. 79550T

TEMPORARY

THE STATE OF NEVADA

PERMIT TO CHANGE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA HERETOFORE APPROPRIATED

Name of applicant:	**ROUND MOUNTAIN GOLD CORP, HOMESTAKE NEVADA CORP, BARGOLD CORP DBA SMOKY VALLEY COMMON OPERATION**
Source:	**UNDERGROUND**
Basin:	**BIG SMOKY VALLEY-NORTHERN PART**
Manner of Use:	**MINING, MILLING AND DEWATERING**
Period of Use:	**January 1st to December 31st**
Priority Date:	**08/14/1981**

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APPROVAL OF STATE ENGINEER

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing application, and do hereby grant the same, subject to the following limitations and conditions:

This temporary permit to change the point of diversion, manner and place of use of a portion of the waters of an underground source as heretofore granted under Permit 55500 is issued subject to the terms and conditions imposed in said Permit 55500 and with the understanding that no other rights on the source will be affected by the change proposed herein. A totalizing meter must be installed and maintained in the discharge pipeline near the point of diversion and accurate measurements must be kept of water placed to beneficial use. This source is located within an area designated by the State Engineer pursuant to NRS 534.030.

This temporary permit does not extend the permittee the right of ingress and egress on public, private or corporate lands.

The issuance of this temporary permit does not waive the requirements that the permit holder obtain other permits from State, Federal and local agencies, and is specifically issued contingent upon approval by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection of the dewatering project.

This temporary permit is issued pursuant to the provisions of NRS 533.345 Section 2 and will expire one year from the date of approval at which time all rights herein granted shall revert to the right being changed by this temporary permit.

This temporary permit will allow the permittee to dewater the pit area. It is understood that any water obtained as a result of this dewatering operation shall be used first by the permittee for mining, milling, heap leaching, drilling, road watering, and other related mining and milling uses (hereinafter referred to as mining and milling).

Any water pumped and not used for mining and milling purposes shall be infiltrated back to the Big Smoky Valley Groundwater Basin, Northern Part (137B). The permittee shall discharge water in a manner to achieve maximum conservation of the water resource.

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The total combined duty of water for consumptive purposes under Permit 536, Certificate 16645; Permit 1077, Certificate 267; Permit 2908, Certificate 353; Permit 3898, Certificate 2347; Permit 12442, Certificate 3831; Permit 12445, Certificate 3832; Permit 12768, Certificate 3751; Permit 14119, Certificate 4889; Permit 26650, Certificate 13904; Permit 26652, Certificate 13905; Permits 44297, 44299, 44300, Certificate 13174; Permits 50971, 51577, Certificate 13185; Permit 51578, Certificate 13186; Permits 53365, 55498, 55500 through 55503, 59217, 59218, 60874 through 60876, 70169 through 70185, 76598 through 76602 and Temporary Permits 77934T, 78146T, 78619T through 78621T, 78879T, 78880T, 79238T and 79549T through 79580T will not exceed 13,910 acre-feet annually.

Monthly records shall be kept of the following and reported within 15 days after the end of each quarter:

A. The total volume of water pumped from each diversion in acre-feet.

B. The maximum flow rate from each diversion in cubic feet per second.

C. The pumping water level from each well in feet above mean sea level.

D. The volume of water consumptively used for mining and milling in acre-feet.

E. The amount of water diverted to the infiltration sites in acre-feet.

F. The amount of water diverted to other consumptive uses, if any, in acre-feet.

G. The amount of water lost through evaporation or other system losses project wide.

H. The status and flow rates of various surface water sources in the area that may be impacted by the dewatering.

The State Engineer retains the right to require additional monitoring. The permittee, on a schedule acceptable to the State Engineer, shall prepare and present an update on the activities of the mine and the monitoring on a periodic basis, but not less than once per year.

The State retains the right to regulate pumping from the dewatering project and/or any other groundwater withdrawals herein authorized to protect the public interest and to protect existing rights.

The point of diversion and place of use are as described on the submitted application to support this permit.

The amount of water to be appropriated shall be limited to the amount which can be applied to beneficial use, **and not to exceed 0.45 cubic feet per second or 325.79 acre-feet annually.**

Work must be prosecuted with reasonable diligence and proof of completion of work shall be filed on or before:	**N/A**
Water must be placed to beneficial use and proof of the application of water to beneficial use shall be filed on or before:	**N/A**
Map in support of proof of beneficial use shall be filed on or before:	**N/A**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, JASON KING, P.E.,

State Engineer of Nevada, have hereunto set my hand and the seal of my office, this 24th day of **May**, A.D. **2010**

P.E.

State Engineer

(DW-33)

TEMPORARY Application No. 79550 T

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO CHANGE POINT OF DIVERSION, MANNER OF USE AND PLACE OF USE OF THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA HERETOFORE APPROPRIATED

THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date of filing in State Engineer's Office FEB 16 2010

Returned to applicant for correction

Corrected application filed Map filed FEB 14 2002 under 68460 T

The applicant Round Mountain Gold Corp, Homestake Nevada Corp, BaRGold Corp dba Smoky Valley Common Operation

P.O. Box 480 (Street and No. Or P.O. Box No.) of Round Mountain (City or Town)

Nevada 89045 (State and Zip Code), hereby make(s) application for permission to change the

☑ Point of Diversion ☑ Place of use ☑ Manner of use ☑ of a portion

of water heretofore appropriated under (Identify existing right by Permit, Certificate, Proof or Claim Nos. If Decreed, give title of Decree and identify right in Decree.)

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1. The source of water is underground (DW-33) (Name of stream, lake, underground, spring or other sources.)

2. The amount of water to be changed 0.45cfs (Second feet, acre-feet. One second foot equals 448.83 gallons per minute.)

3. The water to be used for mining activities (including reclamation), milling, domestic, and dewatering (Irrigation, power, mining, commercial, etc. If for stock state number and kind of animals. Must limit to one major use.)

4. The water heretofore used for mining, milling, and domestic (If for stock state number and kind of animals.)

5. The water is to be diverted at the following (Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision of public survey and by course and by course and distance to a found section corner. If unsurveyed land, it should be stated.)

   within the SE1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 24, T.10N, R.43E, M.D.M., or at a point from which the NW corner of said Section 24 bears N 63 degrees 39 minutes 59 seconds W for a distance of 5336.2 feet

6. The existing point of diversion is located within point (If point of diversion is not changed, do not answer.)

in the NE1/4 NE1/4 of Section 30, T10N, R44E, M.D.B.&M., at a point from which the NW corner of said Section 30 bears N. 81 degrees 34' 51" W., 4,254.35 feet distant

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7. Proposed place of use (Describe by legal subdivisions. If for irrigation state number of acres to be irrigated.) **79550T**

See "Attachment 1"

8. Existing place of use (Describe by legal subdivisions. If permit is for irrigation, state number of acres irrigated. If changing place of use and/or manner of use of irrigation permit, describe acreage to be removed from irrigation.)

within Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 29, & 30 T10N R44E M.D.B.&M. (portions unsurveyed) and in Sections 13, 23, 24, 25, & 26, T10N R43E M.D.B.&M.

9. Use will be from January 01 (Month and Day) to December 31 (Month and Day) of each year.

10. Use permitted from January 01 (Month and Day) to December 31 (Month and Day) of each year.

11. Description of proposed works. (Under the provision of NRS 535.010 you may be required to submit plans and specifications of your diversion or storage works.) (State manner in which water is to be diverted, i.e., diversion structure, ditches, pipes and flumes or drilled well, pump and motor, etc.)

Existing well.

12. Estimated cost of works $266,000

13. Estimated time required to construct works Cased well with electric motor and submersible pump. (If well completed, describe well.)

14. Estimated time required to complete the application of water to beneficial use Temporary right.

15. Provide a detailed description of the proposed project and its water usage (use attachments if necessary): (Failure to provide a detailed description may cause a delay in processing.)

This well will serve to dewater the mining pit and to ensure highwall stability. The water developed will be co-mingled with other water rights held by the applicant and will be primarily utilized in the mining and milling processes, including associated reclamation activities.

16. Miscellaneous remarks:

Clay Self
Print or type name clearly

Clay.Self@Kinross.com
E-mail Address

Signature, applicant or agent

775-377-3235
Phone No.

Round Mountain Gold Corporation
Company Name

P.O. Box 480
Street and No., or P.O. Box No.

APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT OR AGENT

Round Mountain, NV 89045
City, State, Zip Code No.

Revised 07/09 $150 FILING FEE AND SUPPORTING MAP MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATION

Attachment 1

7. Proposed Place of Use:

T9N, R43E; All of sections 1, 2; portions of sections 3, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15
T9N, R44E; Portion of section 6
T10N, R43E; Portions of section 11, 12; all of sections 13; portions 14, 23, all of sections 24, 25; portions of section 26, 34, 35; all of section 36
T10N, R44E; Portions of sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 17; all of section 18; portions of sections 19, 20, 29; all of section 30; portion of section 31
T11N, R43E; Portions of sections 25, 36
T11N, R44E; Portions of sections 19, 20, 28, 29; all of section 30, portion of section 31, all of section 32, portions of section 33