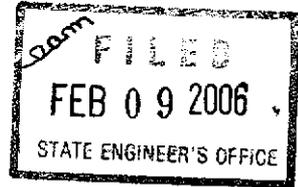


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 72698
FILED BY Idaho General Mines, Inc
ON May 3, 2005 TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF Koebeh Valley



PROTEST



Comes now Roy R. Risk
whose post office address is 3625 S. Harmon Rd Fallon, NV 89406
whose occupation is Rancher and protests the granting
of Application Number 72698 filed on May 3, 2005
by Idaho General Mines, Inc to appropriate the
waters of Koebeh Valley situated in Eureka

County, State of Nevada, for the following reasons and on the following grounds, to wit:

see attachment

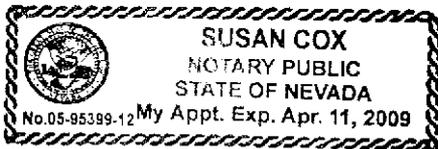
THEREFORE the Protestant requests that the application be denied / not granted
and that an order be entered for such relief as the State Engineer deems just and proper.

Signed Roy R. Risk
ROY R. RISK
Agent or protestant

Address 3625 South Harmon Road
Fallon, Nevada 89406
City, State and Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 day of Feb, 2006
Susan Cox
Notary Public

State of Nevada
County of Carsen city



STATE ENGINEERS OFFICE

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Attachment to Protest for Applications for Water Rights Filed by
Idaho General Mines, Inc. in the Koebeh Valley.

This attachment is for the protests by Roy R. Risi for the following applications for water rights made by Idaho General Mines, Inc. :
72695, 72696, 72697, 72698, 73545, 73546, 73547, 73548, 73549,
73550, 73551, 73552.

Roy R. Risi is filing these protests in an effort to protect the following water rights that he owns in the Koebeh Valley :

| Application No. | Status | Certificate No. | Owner |
|-----------------|--------|-----------------|-------------|
| 8256 | CER | 1852 | Roy R. Risi |
| 11188 | CER | 4039 | Roy R. Risi |
| 22112 | CER | 7903 | Roy R. Risi |
| 22113 | CER | 7904 | Roy R. Risi |
| 23359 | CER | 7905 | Roy R. Risi |
| 23466 | CER | 8334 | Roy R. Risi |
| 23467 | CER | 8335 | Roy R. Risi |
| 23468 | CER | 8336 | Roy R. Risi |
| 23549 | CER | 7899 | Roy R. Risi |
| V04511 | VST | | Roy R. Risi |
| V04512 | VST | | Roy R. Risi |
| V04513 | VST | | Roy R. Risi |
| V04514 | VST | | Roy R. Risi |

The Koebeh Valley Basin is presently fully appropriated at 18,000 acre feet. Granting these applications would put the use of water in the Koebeh Valley Basin at approximately 200% of perennial yield. Mr. Risi's concerns include the loss of ground water, runoff, drying up of springs, ability to irrigate, domestic water loss, and increased costs for pumping water for domestic use, livestock use, and irrigation.

Additional concerns are the de-valuing of both deeded acres and BLM grazing permits owned by Roy Risi in Koebeh Valley, Eureka County.