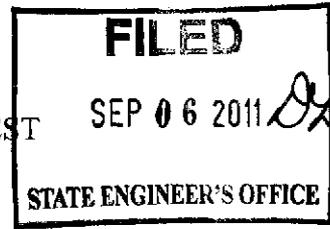


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER.....80997.....  
FILED BY.....PILOT METALS INC.....  
ON.....JULY 25....., 2011....., TO APPROPRIATE THE  
WATERS OF ...UNDERGROUND.....



PROTEST



Comes now...the USDI, Bureau of Land Management.....  
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is...P.O. Box 911, Tonopah, NV 89049.....  
Street No. Or P.O. Box, City, State and Zip Code.

whose occupation is ...U.S. Government Agency..... and protests the granting  
of Application Number ...80977....., filed on .....July 25....., 2011.....  
by .....Pilot Metals Inc.....to appropriate the

waters of .....Underground.....situated in ..Esmeralda.....  
Underground or name of stream, lake, spring or other source

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

The applicant has not attempted to obtain or demonstrated that it can obtain the necessary legal interest (right-of-way) on lands of  
the United States, under the jurisdiction of the United States Department of the Interior, to extract, develop and transport water from  
the point of diversion to a point of use. Therefore, the applicant cannot show that the water will ever be placed in beneficial use.

THEREFORE the Protestant requests that the application be ....Denied.....  
Denied, issued subject to prior rights, etc., as the case may be

and that an order be entered for such relief as the State Engineer deems just and proper.

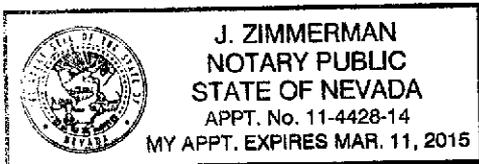
Signed .....  
Agent or protestant

.....Thomas J. Seley, Field Manager, Tonopah Field Office.....  
Printed or typed name, if agent

Address... P.O. Box 911.....  
Street No. or P.O. Box No.

.....Tonopah, NV 89049.....  
City, State and Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this <sup>31<sup>st</sup></sup> 29<sup>th</sup> day of...August....., 2011.....



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Notary Public

State of... Nevada

County of... Nye

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