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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 84866
FILED BY Christopher Davis
ON May 06, 20 15

PROTEST

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STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Comes now Columbus S.M., LLC
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is 2360 West Horizon Ridge Pkwy, #100, Henderson, NV 89052
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code

whose occupation is Mining and protests the granting

of Application Number 84866, filed on May 06, 20 15

by Christopher Davis for the

waters of an underground Source situated in Esmeralda
an underground source or name of stream, lake, spring or other source

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

Columbus S.M., LLC is protesting this application for the following reasons:
1. The potential negative impact to the mines (permitted) future operations including the ability to have sufficient groundwater to slurry up raw materials, mill operations, pumping waste slurry to the permitted plan of operations;
2. The impact the this might have on the 80 acres of private land located just east of the proposed water right point of diversion; and
3. Time to consider a study to determine whether the aquifer will support this water right application request along with our existing water rights as referenced (64852, 70359, 80158,83223).

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

Michael Hardy
Printed or typed name, if agent

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State of Nevada
County of Washoe

Subscribed and sworn to before me on 7/17/15
by Kimberly G Rossiter

Signature of Notary Public Required

KIMBERLY G. ROSSITER
Notary Public - State of Nevada
Appointment Recorded in Washoe County
No: 98-4577-2 - Expires August 31, 2018

Notary Stamp or Seal Required

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