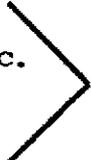


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STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 72697
FILED BY Idaho General Mines, Inc.
ON May 3, 2005, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF an underground source



PROTEST

Comes now Robert L. and Cathy Valenta Weise and Bobcat Ranch, LLC
whose post office address is Post Office Box 19640, Reno, Nevada 89511
whose occupation is Rancher and protests the granting
of Application Number 72697, filed on May 3, 2005
by Idaho General Mines, Inc. to appropriate the
waters of an underground source situated in Lander

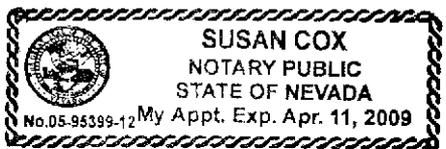
County, State of Nevada, for the following reasons and on the following grounds, to wit:

See Attachments.

THEREFORE the Protester requests that the application be denied
and that an order be entered for such relief as the State Engineer deems just and proper.

Signed [Signature]
Agent or protestor
James P. Haddan, Agent
Address 206 South Minnesota Street
Carson City, Nevada 89703

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17 day of Feb, 2006
[Signature]
Notary Public
State of Nevada
County of Carson city



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ATTACHMENT TO PROTEST OF IDAHO GENERAL MINES, INC.
APPLICATION(S), KOBEH VALLEY, NEVADA

BOBCAT RANCH, LLC AND ROBERT L. AND CATHY VALENTA WEISE CURRENTLY HAVE PERMITTED, CERTIFICATED AND APPLICATIONS PENDING FOR, WATER RIGHTS IN THE KOBEH VALLEY BASIN WHICH HAVE EARLIER DATES OF PRIORITY THAN THE SUBJECT APPLICATION. THIS APPLICATION AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATIONS BEING APPLIED FOR BY IDAHO GENERAL MINES, INC., IF APPROVED, WILL SEVERELY ENDANGER THESE AND OTHER EXISTING RIGHTS WITHIN THE KOBEH VALLEY BASIN.

PER THE NEVADA DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES DATABASE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC BASIN 139 (KOBEH VALLEY), THE CURRENT ACTIVE ANNUAL DUTY IS 18,000 ACRE-FEET. THIS APPLICATION AND OTHERS FILED BY IDAHO GENERAL MINES, INC. WOULD SERIOUSLY DEplete THE FINITE WATER RESOURCES OF THIS DESIGNATED BASIN.

SUMMARY OF WATER RIGHTS OWNED BY BOBCAT RANCH, LLC/ROBERT L.
AND CATHY VALENTA WEISE
T.19N., R.47E., M.D.B.&M., LANDER COUNTY, NEVADA
KOBEB VALLEY

OWNER	APPLICATION/PERMIT/(CERTIFICATE) NUMBER	STATUS
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	35866	PERMIT
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	64616	PERMIT
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	41752 (10694)	CERTIFICATE
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	69315	PERMIT
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	49752 (14687)	CERTIFICATE
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	70900	PERMIT
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	55426 (14096)	CERTIFICATE
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	56575	PERMIT
ROBERT L. & CATHY VALENTA WEISE	70818	RFP
ROBERT L. & CATHY VALENTA WEISE	70819	RFP
ROBERT L. & CATHY VALENTA WEISE	70820	RFP
ROBERT L. & CATHY VALENTA WEISE	70821	RFP
ROBERT L. & CATHY VALENTA WEISE	70822	RFP
ROBERT L. & CATHY VALENTA WEISE	70823	RFP

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ROBERT L. & CATHY VALENTA WEISE	70824	RFP
ROBERT L. & CATHY VALENTA WEISE	70825	RFP
ROBERT L. & CATHY VALENTA WEISE	70826	RFP
ROBERT L. & CATHY VALENTA WEISE	70827	RFP
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	72580	RFA
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	72581	RFA
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	72582	RFA
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	72583	RFA
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	72584	RFA
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	72585	RFA
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	72586	RFA
BOBCAT RANCH, LLC	72587	RFA
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