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Sherry Burt-Kested
Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company
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RE: Approval of Bayard Canyon Supplemental Interim Removal Action Completion Report, Hanover/Whitewater Creek Investigation Unit, Chino Administrative Order on Consent

Dear Sherry Burt-Kested:

The Ground Water Quality Bureau (GWQB) of the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) received the document titled, Bayard Canyon Supplemental Interim Removal Action Completion Report, Hanover/Whitewater Creek Investigation Unit, Chino Administrative Order on Consent, dated July 28, 2022 from Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company (Chino). NMED has reviewed the Completion Report and hereby grants its approval.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 372-8545.

Sincerely,

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