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June 30, 2016

## **Electronic Mail**

Ms. Nirupma Bhatia Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Water Quality Compliance Section 1110 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007-2935

Re: Mitigation Order on Consent Docket

No. P-50-06 March 1st through June 30th, 2016 Status Report

Dear Ms. Bhatia:

In accordance with Mitigation Order on Consent, Docket No. P-50-06 Section *V. <u>Status Reports</u> A.*, Freeport-McMoRan Sierrita Inc. (Sierrita) submits this Status Report covering the period of March 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Since the last Status Report was submitted, the following actions have been taken under Section III. Compliance Schedule of the Mitigation Order:

- The sulfate mitigation action well field has been in operation since the startup date of January 6, 2014
- Sierrita did not reduce pumping to the level specified in the contingency plan submitted to the ADEQ on November 9, 2015 and amended on March 7, 2016Held the first of three CAG meetings of 2016
- Second quarter 2016 groundwater monitoring was completed
- Submitted the Reporting Year 2015 Annual Performance Review
- Submitted the Semi-annual Groundwater Monitoring Report

The following activities are anticipated to be completed during the next quarter:

- Conduct third quarter groundwater monitoring
- Hold the second of three CAG meetings of 2016
- Submit third quarter Status Report

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (520) 393-2347 if you have any questions regarding this submittal.

Sincerely,

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