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Freeport-McMoRan Sierrita Inc.
Attention: Ms. Deborah Chismar
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Green Valley, AZ 85614

Re: Acceptance letter - Freeport-McMoRan Sierrita Inc. - Proposal to discontinue Quarterly Status Reports - Mitigation Order on Consent Order Docket No. P-50-06.

Dear Ms. Deborah Chismar:

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") received Freeport-McMoRan Sierrita Inc.'s (Sierrita) request to discontinue submittal of Quarterly Status Reports, pursuant to Mitigation Order on Consent Order Docket No. P-50-06, on June 27, 2016. Sierrita asserts that the information in the Quarterly Status Reports is duplicative and is contained in the annual mitigation performance review report, annual facilities monitoring report, and semiannual groundwater monitoring reports that are submitted to ADEQ. ADEQ accepts your request to discontinue submittal of the quarterly status reports. Please notify ADEQ within 30 days of any modifications to the curtailment and/or changes to the mitigation actions at Sierrita Operations Tailing Impoundment.

Thank you for your efforts to comply with Arizona's environmental requirements. Should you have any comments or questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (602) 771- 4479 or nb3@azdeq.gov.

Sincerely,

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