

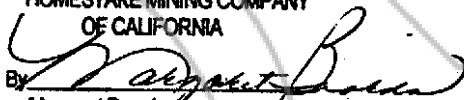
RECORDING REQUESTED BY
AND RETURN TO:
Homestake Mining Company
Attn: Val Flynn-Wallace
650 California St., 10th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94108-2788

NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT AND RELINQUISHMENT

Homestake Mining Company of California, a California corporation, having its principal place of business at 650 California Street, 10th Floor, San Francisco, California 94108-2788 hereby abandons and relinquishes those certain unpatented lode mining claims located in Lincoln County, Nevada, and being more particularly described on the attached Exhibit A.

This abandonment is dated effective the 12th day of April, 1997.

HOMESTAKE MINING COMPANY
OF CALIFORNIA

By 
Margaret Boorda
Senior Land Manager

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
)ss.
COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO)

On June 20, 1997, before me, Valerie D. Flynn-Wallace, a Notary Public in and for said state, personally appeared Margaret Boorda, personally known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same in her authorized capacity, and that by her signature on the instrument, the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

[SEAL]


Notary Public

-CAPACITY CLAIMED BY SIGNER-
 Individual

For: Homestake Mining Company of California
as its Senior Land Manager

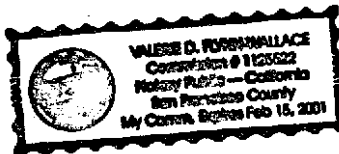


EXHIBIT A
 HOMESTAKE MINING COMPANY
 UNPATENTED CLAIMS
 PROJECT REPORT

Project's PLOC/PAGE	Project's P CLAIMS/STATUS	Owner's NAME OR CL - ST	Claim Name	BLM Nbr	Location Date	TYP	RCE	SEC	County, State	N/P/Doc
	P		1328	766406	06-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/513
	P		1329	766407	06-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/512
	P		1330	766408	06-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/511
	P		1331	766409	06-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/510
	P		1332	766410	06-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/509
	P		1333	766411	06-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/508
	P		1334	766412	06-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/507
	P		1335	766413	07-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/506
	P		1336	766414	07-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/505
	P		1337	766415	07-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/504
	P		1338	766416	07-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/503
	P		1339	766417	07-JAN-1997	1N	66E	26	Lincoln, NV	126/502
Total Claims by property 12										
Total # Claims by Project 12										
TOTAL # CLAIMS BY REPORT: 12										

NO. **109168**
 Filed And Recorded At Request OF
 HOMESTAKE
 JULY 2, 1997
 At 01 Minutes Past 1 O'Clock
 P M In Book 128 Of Official Records
 Page 505 Lincoln County Nevada.
 YURIKO SETZER
 County Recorder
 BY *Julia Borchers*
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