

WHEN RECORDED, RETURN TO:
Homestake Mining Company of California
Attn: Tim Wilder
650 California Street, 10th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94108-2788

**AFFIDAVIT OF EVIDENCE OF PAYMENT
AND
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD CLAIMS**

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

Margaret Winsel Boorda, being duly sworn, says:

1. Being duly authorized, I make this affidavit on behalf of Homestake Mining Company of California, whose address is 650 California Street, San Francisco, California 94108-2788.
2. Pursuant to the provisions of the Interior Department and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 1993, Act of October 5, 1992, Pub. L. 102-381, 106 Stat. 1374, 1378-1379 and 43 C.F.R. Sections 3833.03(e) and 3833.1-5(g) and the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of August 10, 1993, Pub. L. 103-66, 107 Stat. 312, a claim maintenance fee of \$100.00 is to be paid to the Bureau of Land Management for each non-exempt mining claim, millsite, or tunnel site for the assessment year ending September 1, 1998, in lieu of the requirement to perform and record affidavits of proof of annual assessment work for mining claims and to record notice of intent to hold millsites under 30 U.S.C. Sections 28-28e and 43 U.S.C. Section 1744.
3. The federal claim maintenance fees for the claims and millsites more particularly described on the attached Exhibit A were paid on May 16, 1997, for the assessment year ending September 1, 1998.
4. The names and addresses of the owners of the claims and millsites as known to the person making this affidavit are as follows: Albert G. Cottino, P.O. Box 415, Pioche, Nevada 89043; and Agnes D. Cottino, P.O. Box 86, Pioche, Nevada 89043.
5. The section, township and range in which the claims or millsites are located and the book and page number wherein the original or latest amended relocation for each claim or millsite is recorded is shown on Exhibit A.
6. The serial number assigned to each claim or millsite by the authorized officer upon filing a copy of the Notice of Location in the proper B.L.M. office is shown on Exhibit A. As provided in 43 C.F.R. S 3833.2-2(a) (1), this serial number constitutes a description of each of the claims and millsites.

7. Notwithstanding any defect or deficiency in the foregoing affidavit, the undersigned states that it is not her intention, nor is it the intention of the owners of the claims or millsites described in Exhibit A, to abandon or otherwise relinquish their interest in any of the claims or millsites. It is their intention to hold each of the mining claims and millsites described in Exhibit A through the assessment year ending September 1, 1998.


Margaret Winsel Boorda
Senior Land Manager

CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of California

County of San Francisco

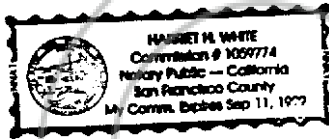
On September 15, 1997 before me, Harriet H. White, Notary Public
Name and Title of Officer (e.g., "Jane Doe, Notary Public")

personally appeared Margaret Winsel Boorda
Name(s) of Signer(s)

- personally known to me
- proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence

to be the person(s) whose name(s) are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Harriet H. White
Signature of Notary Public

OPTIONAL

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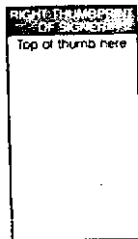
Signer(s) Other Than Named Above: _____

Capacity(ies) Claimed by Signer(s)

Signer's Name: _____

- Individual
- Corporate Officer
Title(s): _____
- Partner — Limited General
- Attorney-in-Fact
- Trustee
- Guardian or Conservator
- Other: _____

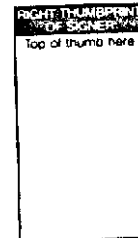
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Lincoln County

HOMESTAKE MINING COMPANY
 UNPATENTED CLAIMS
 PROJECT REPORT

Project: PICOCH/PAISIE

Property: DANIEL, TFD/0170

Owner: COTTINO, Albert

Claim Name	BUM BDR	Location Date	TWP	R0S	SEC	County, State
BELMONT	28130	15-SEP-1915	1N	67E	22	Lincoln, NV
CLOUDY MINE	28134	10-APR-1919	1N	67E	21,22	Lincoln, NV
FOOTHILL	28119	29-AUG-1903	1N	67E	21,22	Lincoln, NV
JIMLEHILL	28131	01-NOV-1903	1N	67E	21	Lincoln, NV
LOUISIE	28131	01-NOV-1907	1N	67E	21	Lincoln, NV
MEHOMINES	28136	30-MAR-1894	1N	67E	21,22	Lincoln, NV
RAIN MINE	28132	18-APR-1919	1N	67E	21	Lincoln, NV
SNOW MINE	28135	18-APR-1919	1N	67E	22	Lincoln, NV

Total Claimed by property 8

Total 8 Claims by Project: 8

TOTAL 8 CLAIMS BY REPORT: 8

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H-1/37
 F-1/311
 F/45
 F/45
 V/153
 F/8
 F-1/285
 F-1/284

NO. **109746**

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 HOMESTAKE MINING CO.

SEPTEMBER 22, 1997

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COUNTY, NEVADA.

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COUNTY RECORDER

Jillie Boucher, DEPUTY