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KENSINGTON GOLD MINE

## ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

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Coeur Alaska has an absolute regard for environmental stewardship and sustainable development. We will conduct our activities in such a manner as to protect the health and safety of our employees, the environment, and wildlife, and to be involved in the communities in which we operate. We will comply with all applicable environmental and safety laws and regulations and administer an Environmental Management System to ensure compliance. We will be both responsible and responsive to the concerns of stakeholders relating to safety, the environment, and economic and social development. This policy can be simply stated as: "Producing and Protecting."

*To accomplish this policy:*

Coeur Alaska will consult with and incorporate stakeholder concerns into the design and operation of our facilities in a manner that reflects our commitments in this Environmental Policy, including:

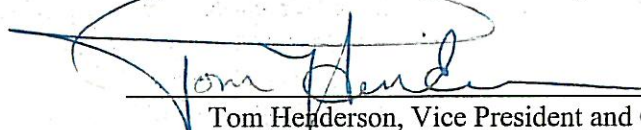
- Plan for and conduct reclamation that returns mined lands to productive land uses,
- Conduct mine activities to minimize their environmental impact, and
- Manage mine materials in a safe and environmentally responsible manner.

We will seek continual improvement in our environmental and community involvement performance by:

- Providing training and establishing accountability that encourages all employees to exert leadership and commitment to protect the environment;
- Ensuring employee awareness of the policy and their involvement in its implementation;
- Maintaining a strong social outreach program;
- Utilizing an Environmental Committee to review and discuss environmental issues;
- Developing and maintaining operational guidelines to ensure effectiveness in addressing environmental and community commitments;
- Conducting routine risk management assessments on key facilities (e.g., tailing treatment facilities, surface disturbance, plant, mine plans, development rock stockpiles, etc.);
- Conducting appropriate research to develop more effective methods for protection of the environment, health, and safety;
- Acquiring legal input and guidance on permit application development and processing, as appropriate; and,
- Conducting inspections of mine activities and correcting any findings to ensure good environmental stewardship.

We will encourage and be involved in the development of reasonable environmental legislation and regulations.

We will develop, obtain, and disseminate pertinent environmental and safety information to our employees and stakeholders.



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