



ARTESIAN MINERAL DEVELOPMENT & CONSOLIDATED SLUDGE Inc.

Notice of New Ownership “Clean Start” Environmental Compliance Audit

To: United States Environmental Protection Agency
Re: Iron Mountain Mines, Inc. and the Iron Mountain Mine Superfund Site

Dear EPA,

On January 28th, 2008, T.W. Arman, individually and in his official capacities as sole stockholder and Chairman of Iron Mountain Mines Inc., entered into a joint venture agreement with John Hutchens known as the Hu/Mountain joint venture. The purpose of this joint venture is the extraction, reclamation and recovery of metals and minerals and to manufacture and market valuable products from or in conjunction with this recovery of metals and minerals from the Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) and High Density Sludge (HDS) generated by the Lime Neutralization plant, as well as any work as may be required by the trustees or Project Manager and Site Operator, to complete and satisfy all Environmental Compliance obligations affecting the Properties and to intercede and qualify as new Project Manager and Site Operator, activities concerning remedial activities or regarding AMD or sludge disposal or recovery, including any causes of action against any agencies or other parties, and to pursue claims based on any rights or breach thereof, and upon any breach or bad faith by any agency or other parties, and to protect any property rights or other rights and the “Right to Resume Work” as may be necessary to protect these interests.

The agreement further provides that John Hutchens and T.W. Arman may convey their respective rights in the joint venture to their respective business entities by further agreement, and the parties acknowledge that provisional arrangements have been made for such transfer.

The agreement delegates and conveys rights and responsibilities including the design and construction of facilities, Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Studies (RI/FS), Modifications to Remedial Design/ Remedial Action (RD/RA), Proposal for new Statement of Work (SOW) schedules and budgets (CERCLIS), provisions of the SOW according to the Trustees, CERCLA, and the EPA, and determinations according to the Consent Decree, and State and Federal bonding and insurance requirements.

In consideration for the services and responsibilities undertaken, the agreement conveys amongst other things a 60% interest in the acid mine drainage and high density sludge both in materials already processed and in future accumulation, and any right of agency or factor as may be required to protect or enforce such interest. The agreement also conveys a 50 year renewable lease for the construction of facilities to achieve these purposes. John Hutchens has formed a new business named “Artesian Mineral Development & Consolidated Sludge, Inc.” (AMD&CSI), for the purposes described herein, and has made provisional arrangements for the transfer of his interest in the joint venture to AMD&CSI.

AMD&CSI and John Hutchens have submitted FOIA requests to EPA for laboratory test results according to the provisions of the statement of work. Until the EPA provides these results or we are allowed to conduct sampling, no further measures to assure compliance with environmental laws can be performed in accordance with the provisions of the environmental compliance audit

John F. Hutchens