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Dear Editor:

Please publish the following notice in the legal publication section of the next Sunday edition (September 7 and 14, 2008) of your newspaper: once a week for two weeks in the legal publication section your newspaper:

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Proposed Bond Determination and Proposed Bond Release for Golden Sunlight Mine

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has completed a five-year comprehensive bond review of the Golden Sunlight Mine (GSM) (Operating Permit No. 00065). DEQ has also completed reviewing a request by GSM for a partial bond release for the completed regrading and topsoiling of 960 acres of disturbance, consisting primarily of the West and South Waste Rock Dumps and portions of the East Waste Rock Dump and Tailings Pond No. 1. GSM's current bond is in the amount of \$54,380,000. DEQ is proposing a bond increase of \$28,656,203 to \$83,036,203. This bond increase includes a proposed partial bond release of \$10,751,685 for the regraded and resoiled areas.

Pursuant to Section 82-4-338(3)(a), MCA, DEQ is required to publish notice of a proposed bond determination resulting from a comprehensive bond review. Comments on the proposed bond determination must be submitted to DEQ by September 19, 2008 and submitted to the postal or e-mail address set forth below. After the comment period for the proposed bond has passed, DEQ will evaluate any comments received and issue a final bond determination.

In addition, pursuant to Section 82-4-338(5), MCA, DEQ may not release or decrease a reclamation bond until the public has been provided an opportunity for a hearing and a hearing has been held if requested. A request for a hearing on the proposed bond release must be submitted to DEQ by September 19, 2008 and submitted to the postal or e-mail address set forth below.

Information on the five-year comprehensive bond review calculation or the proposed partial bond release can be obtained by contacting the Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Environmental Management Bureau, PO Box 200901, 1520 E. Sixth Ave., Helena, MT 59620-0901, or by calling Herb Rolfes at (406)444-3841 or e-mail at hrolfes@mt.gov.

Please send your ***invoice, tear sheet, and affidavit of publication*** to DEQ at the address below to the attention of Laura Turner. To expedite payment indicate that the bill applies to **#EMB 5039-0042**.

Sincerely,

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