

**Cooperative Management Agreement and Determination Regarding  
Adequacy of the Coeur Alaska's Kensington Reclamation and Closure Bond**

State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources and  
United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

The Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Natural Resources has determined that it is in the best interest of the State of Alaska to enter into this agreement with the Forest Service, pursuant to AS 27.19.060. Coeur Alaska has submitted a bond to the Forest Service that the Forest Service finds satisfies the Forest Service's reclamation-related bonding requirements of, *inter alia*, 36 C.F.R. § 228.8(g). The Commissioner has determined that the Forest Service's bond requirements are at least as effective as those of the State of Alaska (including AS 27.19 and 11 AAC 97.400), and that requiring another bond would be unnecessary.

DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2005.

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