PUBLIC NOTICE – GREENS CREEK MINE Renewal Application and Draft State Decisions

Greens Creek Mine is an underground lead, zinc, silver, and gold mine located 18 miles southwest of Juneau, Alaska on Admiralty Island. The mine facilities are located near Hawk Inlet on northern Admiralty Island in the Tongass National Forest, situated partly within the Admiralty Island National Monument, and lay completely within the municipal boundary for the City and Borough of Juneau. Mine operations are conducted by Hecla Greens Creek Mining Company (HGCMC), a wholly owned subsidiary of Hecla Mining Company. The Greens Creek Mine is comprised of federal and patented mining claims. HGCMC requested the renewal of the mine's Waste Management Permit including the Reclamation and Closure Plan and supporting documents.

On June 20, 2014, the State of Alaska is releasing application renewal documents for Greens Creek Mine's existing mining operation and the following draft state decisions for a 32-day public review and comment period:

- Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Water, draft Waste
 Management Permit No. 2014DB0003 for disposing of mine tailings, waste rock,
 and other mine-related wastes from the Greens Creek Mine
- Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land and Water, draft
 Reclamation Plan Approval (J20142682) and closure cost estimate

HOW TO COMMENT

Copies of the draft state decisions and application renewal documents may be obtained online at: www.dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/mining/largemine/greenscreek/

Hardcopies are also available for review at the following locations:

AK Dept. Environmental Conservation / Juneau (410 Willoughby Ave., Ste. 303)

AK Dept. Environmental Conservation / Fairbanks (610 University Ave.)

AK Dept. Natural Resources / Juneau (400 Willoughby Ave., 3rd Fl.)

AK Dept. Natural Resources / Fairbanks (3700 Airport Way)

WRITTEN COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY July 21, 2014 at 5:00pm AKDT

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