

## 1Department of Environmental Conservation

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January 11, 2022

Mr. Kevin Eppers Environmental Manager Coeur Alaska, Inc./Kensington Gold Mine 3031 Clinton Drive, Suite 202 Juneau, Alaska 99801

Re: Reissuance of Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (APDES) Permit AK0050571

Application Review and Administrative Extension

Coeur Alaska Inc./Kensington Gold Mine

Dear Mr. Eppers:

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program received the above referenced APDES application materials on December 2, 2021. We completed our review of the application and determined that it is administratively complete under 18 AAC 83.110(d). Under DEC regulation 18 AAC 83.155(c)(1), an APDES permit remains fully effective and enforceable if a timely and complete application is received, and through no fault of the permittee, DEC does not reissue a new APDES permit prior to the expiration date of the existing permit. That means your existing permit, which expires after May 31, 2022, will remain effective and enforceable until a new permit is issued to your facility.

Please note that DEC may request additional information during permit development to clarify, modify, or supplement previously submitted material. If you have any questions, please contact me at (907) 465-6855 or <a href="mailto:david.khan@alaska.gov">david.khan@alaska.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

David Khan, PE

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Engineer

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