



June 8, 2011

Ron Waterland, Environmental Manager
Wharf Resources (USA), Inc.
10928 Wharf Road
Lead, South Dakota 57754-9710

Re: Completeness Review of Ground Water Discharge Plan Application for Wharf Resources (USA), Inc., American Eagle Spent Ore and Waste Rock Depository, Lawrence County, SD

Dear Mr. Waterland:

This letter is in response to the above referenced facility's application for a Ground Water Discharge Plan, received on April 15, 2011, and additional information received on April 27, 2011 and May 19, 2011. The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (Department) has reviewed the application for completeness according to the Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) 74:54:02:06 and determined the application to be complete.

We have also received the response to the preliminary list of technical comments and we are continuing with the technical review of the application. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact me at 605-773-5337 or 605-773-3296.

Sincerely,

Matt Hicks, Senior Hydrologist
Ground Water Quality Program

c: Mike Cepak, Minerals and Mining Program, Pierre, SD

File Copy
**DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENT
and NATURAL RESOURCES**

PMB 2020
JOE FOSS BUILDING
523 EAST CAPITOL
PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA 57501-3182
www.state.sd.us/denr