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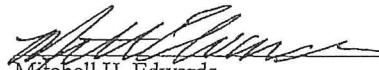
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Attn: Doug Gibson
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Re: Bruce & Betty Jean Firnekas – Murphy Creek

Dear Mr. Gibson:

Our office represents Bruce & Betty Jean Firnekas. Recently our clients asked us to review a letter that you had provided to them, dated August 24, 2021. We apologize for the delay in responding to you. As you are aware our clients own land in the N1/2 of Section 1, Township 41 North, Range 83 West, 6th P.M., Johnson County, Wyoming. As you noted in your letter, Black Hills Bentonite does not have a Surface Use Agreement with our clients for mining or other operations in this area. We are writing to introduce ourselves, and also to begin the process of engaging in negotiations with you on a Surface Use Agreement. Please feel free to reach out to me at your earliest convenience to let us know if you are ready to engage in negotiations toward that end.

Sincerely,
NICHOLAS & TANGEMAN, LLC


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cc: Client (via email)