

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL
STATE OF WYOMING**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE BOND)
FORFEITURE – CEDAR RIM OPAL LLC) Docket No. 24-4501
LICENSE TO EXPLORE)
NO. LE0306)**

NOTICE & REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF FINAL ORDER

The Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality Land Quality Division (“Land Quality Division”), by and through its attorney Gregory Weisz, Senior Assistant Attorney General, submits the following notice to the Council and requests issuance of a final order, on the grounds and for the reasons as follows:

1. On April 8, 2024, the Council entered its *Order Granting Department’s Request to Begin Bond Forfeiture Proceedings (“Initial Order”)* in this matter.

2. The *Initial Order* directed the Land Quality Division to serve the *Initial Order* on the permittee and the bond sureties, so as to: (i) notify the permittee and sureties of the *Initial Order*, and (ii) notify the permittee and sureties that if any of said parties contest forfeiture of the bond monies of their ability to file an appeal of the *Initial Order* and request a hearing in front of the Council to challenge forfeiture.

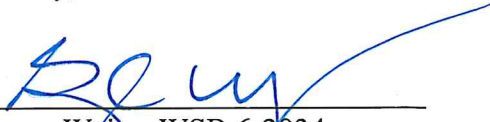
3. On April 10, 2024, the Land Quality Division served the *Initial Order* on the permittee Cedar Rim Opal, LLC and the two persons who served as a surety with respect to the bond monies, US Bank and Paul M. Kraus & Julie A. Kraus. Copies of the U.S. Post Office certified mail receipts to the aforesaid persons are attached hereto, showing receipt of the *Initial Order* and the *Notice of Proposed Bond Forfeiture* sent out by the Wyoming Attorney General’s Office to the permittee and the two bond sureties.

4. On or about April 11, 2024, the Land Quality Division, through the undersigned attorney filed the *Notice of Proposed Bond Forfeiture* with the Council.

5. Under Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 35-11-421(b), the permittee and the bond sureties had a thirty (30) day period in which to request a hearing before the Council to challenge the proposed bond forfeiture. The thirty-day period in which said persons could have requested a hearing before the Council to challenge the proposed bond forfeiture has now expired without any of said persons having requested a hearing, and none of these persons entered an appearance as a party in this matter.

6. Accordingly, it is now appropriate for the Land Quality Division to request that the Council issue a final order in this matter, directing that the bond monies be forfeited to the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, pursuant to Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 35-11-421(b). A proposed final order is submitted with this *Notice & Request for Issuance of Final Order*, for the Council's consideration.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this ^{23rd} day of May, 2024.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 23 day of May, 2024, the following persons were served a copy of the above document via U.S. Mail, as follows:


Cedar Rim Opal, LLC
Attn. Mr. Lonnie Woodward
719 E. Main St. Riverton, WY 82501


U.S. Bank
801 Idaho Street
Elko, NV 89801


Paul M. Kraus & Julie A. Kraus
1927 Laxalt Way
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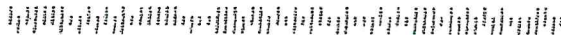
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