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## Decision to Grant AZPDES Permit No. AZ0026387

Brent Musslewhite Director, Environment and Permitting 1860 East River Road, Suite 200 Tucson, AZ 85718

RE: AZPDES Permit Application No. AZ0026387 South32 Hermosa Inc. - January Mine Hermosa Project LTF ID: 95353

Dear Brent:

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has completed the public participation and comment period for the above-referenced facility. Comments were received during the public notice period. A copy of ADEQ's response to these comments is enclosed. ADEQ has made a final decision to issue the AZPDES permit for discharge from the January Mine Hermosa Project in Patagonia, Arizona.<sup>1</sup> A copy of the fact sheet and signed permit is enclosed. Please note the effective date and expiration date for your permit. If you wish to renew this permit, a complete and accurate application must be submitted no later than 180 days prior to the permit expiration date.

The review of your AZPDES application was subject to the licensing timeframes statute under Arizona Revised Statutes A.R.S. §§ 41-1072 through 41-1079. Therefore, this letter is the written notification of ADEQ's licensing decision required under A.R.S. § 41-1076 and Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) R18-1-507(A).

Please contact me at heinz.rachel@azdeq.gov or (602) 771- 0180 if you have any questions regarding this notice or your permit.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Raduel Heinz 2792BFE75737458.

Rachel Heinz AZPDES Individual Permits Unit Water Quality Division

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## Enclosures: Signed AZPDES Permit No. AZ0026387 Response to Comments Fact Sheet

<sup>1</sup>This determination is an appealable agency action under A.R.S. § 41-1092. You have the right to request a hearing and file an appeal under A.R.S. § 41-1092.03. To do this you must file a Request for Hearing or Notice of Appeal **within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice**. A request for Hearing or Notice of Appeal is filed when it is received by ADEQ's Hearing Administrator as follow:

> Hearing Administrator Office of Administrative Counsel Arizona Department of Environmental Quality 1110 W. Washington Street Phoenix, AZ 85007

The Request or Notice must contain the following:

- 1. The name of the party that is filing the appeal;
- 2. The address of the party that is filing the appeal;
- 3. The action being appealed; and
- 4. A concise statement of the reasons for the appeal.

Upon proper filing of a Request for Hearing or Notice of Appeal, ADEQ will serve a Notice of Hearing on all parties to the appeal. If you file a timely Request for Hearing or Notice of Appeal, you have the right to request an informal settlement conference with ADEQ under A.R.S § 41-1092.06. This request must be made in writing no later than 20 days before a scheduled hearing and must be filed with the Hearing Administrator at the above address.