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February 29, 2024

Bret Esslin
Water Quality Division
Inspections and Compliance Unit
Arizona Department of Environmental Quality
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**Re: December 1, 2023 through February 29, 2024
Mitigation Order on Consent No. P-121-07**

Dear Bret Esslin:

Freeport Minerals Corporation, Copper Queen Branch (CQB) is submitting the sixty-third Status Report in accordance with Section V.A. of Mitigation Order on Consent No. P-121-07. This submittal covers the period from December 1, 2023 through February 29, 2024 in accordance with ADEQ's February 12, 2008 approval of the schedule for submission of quarterly Status Reports.

Since December 1, 2023, the following measures have been taken under Section III of the MO:

- Conducted first quarter 2024 semiannual groundwater sampling and quarterly sampling at NWC-04 per Long Term Plume Monitoring schedule.
- Submitted the tenth Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report on February 29, 2024.


During the next quarter, the following activities will be conducted:

- Submit the sixth Mitigation Performance Review Report by April 30, 2024.
- Conduct second quarter 2024 groundwater monitoring.

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If you have any questions regarding this Status Report, please contact me at (520) 432-6206 or our project manager Dave Gosen at (602) 366-7312.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "F. Alday", written over a diagonal line that extends from the bottom left towards the top right.

Fernando Alday
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cc: Ethan Leiter/ADEQ
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