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February 28, 2026

Danielle Duncan
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**Re: December 1, 2025 through February 28, 2026
Mitigation Order on Consent No. P-121-07**

Dear Danielle Duncan:

Freeport Minerals Corporation, Copper Queen Branch (CQB) is submitting the seventy-first 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, 2025 through February 28, 2026 in accordance with ADEQ's February 12, 2008 approval of the schedule for submission of quarterly Status Reports.

Since December 1, 2025, the following measures have been taken under Section III of the MO:

- Conducted first quarter 2026 semiannual groundwater sampling and quarterly sampling at NWC-04 per Long Term Plume Monitoring schedule.
- Conducted annual CAG meeting for 2025 virtually via Microsoft Teams Meeting.

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

- Submit twelfth Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report by March 31, 2026.
- Conduct second quarter 2026 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 Bryce Romig at (720) 942-3231.

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: Cameron Laydera-Collins/ADEQ
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