

# **ATTACHMENT # 7**

**PAGES FROM ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD BEFORE  
THE COURT  
(Pertinent pages RE: mining)**

## MINERAL RESOURCES

### AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT

The most significant mineral resources identified in the Eagle Mountain area are precious and base metals and industrial minerals.

#### Precious Metals

*H* Following suspension of iron ore mining, the open pits and areas along strike, in the footwall, and in the hanging wall of the iron ore deposits were examined for precious metals by Kaiser; Pincock, Allen and Holt, Inc.; Homestake Mining Company; Newmont Mining Corporation; the Goldfield Corporation; and Kiewit Mining Company. No precious metals were detected at any of the above locations (personal Communications, 1990a).

Two samples were collected by Kaiser from the discharge point of fine plant tailings into tailings basins 3 and 6. Fire assaying of these samples did not indicate the presence of gold (see Appendix A, samples 384 and 385).

In addition, coarse plant tailings were sampled and analyzed for precious metals. Twenty samples were collected from different locations on the coarse tailings stockpile T-6. These samples were first evaluated by fire assaying at Eagle Mountain. These analyses showed traces of gold in two samples (see Appendix B-1, samples T-6-1 through T-6-20).

To confirm the above results, splits of the original 20 samples were sent to Skyline Labs, Inc. for gold and silver content analyses by atomic absorption. The results did not indicate the presence of gold in any samples; traces of silver were detected in six samples (see Appendix B-2).