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Grant Wilson, Commissioner's Designee
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
500 Lafayette Rd.
St. Paul, MN 55155

Re: *NorthMet Project Permit to Mine Application,*
OAH 60-2004-37824

Dear Commissioner's Designee Wilson:

The Department of Natural Resources' permit team has been represented by the law firm of Holland & Hart in this matter. Holland & Hart is electing to withdraw from this representation. As a result, I will be taking over as counsel for the DNR permit team until further notice.

By this letter, I enter my appearance in this matter. Counsel for all parties should update their contacts to reflect the change in representation.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ **Oliver J. Larson**

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