## WELSH HAGEN Updated Preliminary Economic Assessment ASSOCIATES Bruner Gold Project



## **CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFIED PERSON**

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## I, Russel D. Hufford, PE, hereby certify that:

- 1. I am an independent consultant working with Welsh Hagen Associates, an engineering firm located in Reno, Nevada, USA.
- 2. This certificate is part of the report titled "NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Bruner Gold Project Updated Preliminary Economic Assessment, Nye County, Nevada, USA", dated January 22, 2018.
- 3. I graduated from Montana Tech of the University of Montana with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mining Engineering in 1997.
- 4. I have practiced my profession as a mining engineer for 20 years primarily in hard rock mining in Nevada, USA. My experiences includes work in open pit and underground gold, silver, and copper operations and have managed engineering design for pits, dumps, leach pads, and ore blocks. I have led the planning of short and long-range mine operations, conducted surveying to locate and stake out designs, led MSHA citation mitigation, and have experience in refinery work. I also have experience using multiple mine software packages.
- 5. I am a licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Nevada (#23410) and a Registered Member (#4100052RM) of the Society for Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration, Inc.
- 6. I have read the definition of "Qualified Person" set out in National Instrument 43-101 ("NI 43-101") and certify that by reason of education, certification as a professional geologist and past relevant work experience, I fulfill the requirements to be a "Qualified Person" for the purposes of NI 43-101.
- 7. I have not visited the property.
- 8. I am responsible for the following sections of the report entitled, "NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Bruner Gold Project Updated Preliminary Economic Assessment, Nye County, Nevada, USA", dated January 22, 2018: Sections 1.12, 21, 22 and relevant portions of Section 25 pertaining to project economics.
- 9. The effective date of the Technical Report is December 26, 2017.
- 10. I am independent of the issuer, applying all of the tests in section 1.5 of NI 43-101.
- 11. I have had no prior involvement with the property that is the subject of this Technical Report.
- 12. I have read NI 43-101 and Form 43-101F1, and the Technical Report has been prepared in compliance with the instrument.
- 13. As of the date of this certificate, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the Technical Report contains all scientific and technical information that is required to be disclosed to make the Technical Report not misleading.
- 14. I consent to the public filing of this Technical Report, only in its entirety, in connection with a prospectus or any similar offering document, for presentation to any stock exchange or other regulatory authority, and for publication, including electronic publication accessible by the public. This consent extends as well to all other forms of written disclosure.

Dated this 22nd day of January, 2018

"Original document signed and sealed by	
Russel D. Hufford"	
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