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Calico Resources USA Corp.  
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Re: Grassy Mountain – Noise Baseline Data

*(Sent via e-mail to [nancy@paramountnevada.com](mailto:nancy@paramountnevada.com) and US Mail - return receipt requested)*

Dear Ms. Wolverson:

In October of 2018, DOGAMI received the initial Noise Baseline Report, prepared by Creative Acoustics Northwest, for Calico Resources.

Oregon was one of the first states to adopt noise control regulations for airports, industry, racetracks, and motor vehicles. The regulations establish standards, provide exception and variance procedures, and provide enforcement. However, the State legislature approved the termination of this DEQ-managed program as a cost-savings measure due to reductions in General Fund support. Upon termination, DEQ took the necessary steps to inform local governments and the public and provided guidance on how the statutes would continue to apply.

DOGAMI has secured the services of noise consulting services by ABD Engineering & Design (ABD), subcontracting through its primary environmental consultant Cardno, for the purpose to review the Noise Baseline Data Report submitted per the approved methodologies in the Work Plans.

ABD had comments that warranted revisions to the October Noise Baseline Report. The revised December 2018 Noise Baseline Report also warranted revisions per an additional ABD review. Particularly, limited but specific methodological and format issues, and some limited baseline data updates, were the focus of the December revisions. Creative Acoustics Northwest prepared, and Calico submitted to DOGAMI the revised final report in January 2019, with an additional submittal on February 13, 2019 that included a current engineering stamp.

ABD and Cardno have confirmed to DOGAMI that all of the ABD comments have been addressed and incorporated by Creative Acoustics Northwest to the final Noise Baseline Report (v3) dated February 2019.

Therefore, DOGAMI accepts this final report on behalf of the Technical Review Team.

DOGAMI does not, however, take a position on the adequacy or use of the data for purposes of review by federal agencies.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the State's review and comments.

Sincerely,



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