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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

In Re: SRBA	Subcase No. 75-13316
Case No. 39576	INITIAL DISCLOSURES OF OBJECTOR MERIDIAN GOLD COMPANY

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

This pleading contains the initial disclosures of Meridian Gold Company concerning the U.S. Forest Service Wild and Scenic Rivers Claims, Subcase No. 75-13316.

INITIAL DISCLOSURES

Pursuant to the Court's THIRD AMENDED CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER: Federal and Tribal Non-Consumptive (Instream Flow) Claims, entered July 17, 1996, Meridian Gold Company ("Meridian") hereby makes its initial disclosures for subcase no. 75-13316 (concerning Meridian's objections to claim nos. 75-13316 and 77-1991):

Documents and Data: At this time, Meridian has no independent documents or data in support of its objections. The documents reviewed by Meridian in support of its objections are publicly available and include Meridian's water rights records on file at IDWR; the environmental impact statement, plan of operation, and supporting documents for the Beartrack Mine on file at the U.S. Forest Service office in Salmon, Idaho; and similar federal and state regulatory approvals, analyses, and supporting materials. All of these materials are also available for review at the offices of Meridian's counsel. Appointments to review these documents may be made by contacting Meridian's counsel at the address and phone number listed above.

Meridian will supplement this disclosure in the event independent documents or data supporting its objections come into Meridian's possession prior to trial. Meridian reserves the right to rely on documents and data produced by other parties which support its objection.

Expert Witness(es): At this time, Meridian has no expert witness who would testify in support of its objection. Meridian will identify its expert(s) in the event one or more are retained in the future. Meridian reserves the right to rely on expert witnesses called by other parties whose testimony support its objection.

DATED this 3rd day of September, 1996.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 3rd day of September, 1996, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing by the method indicated below, and addressed to the following:

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