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PATENT ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, **SUMMIT MINING INTERNATIONAL INC.** (hereinafter "ASSIGNOR"), a corporate entity duly registered in the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 8055 East Tufts Avenue, Suite 800, Denver, CO 80237, United States, owns the entire right, title, and interest to certain patent applications and/or patents, including the inventions described therein, identified in the attached Exhibit A (collectively, the "Patents"), and

WHEREAS, **SUMITOMO CORPORATION OF AMERICAS** ("hereinafter ASSIGNEE"), a corporate entity duly registered in the State of New York, having a place of business at 300 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10017, United States, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the Patents for all territories in the world and any improvements and modifications thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that the ASSIGNOR, for and in consideration of certain good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency and receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by ASSIGNEE, has sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and does hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the Patents for all territories in the world and any improvements and modifications thereto, all applications from which the Patents claim the benefit of priority, all applications claiming the benefit of priority from the Patents, including, but not limited to, all non-provisional, divisional, continuation, and continuation-in-part applications, and reissue and reexaminations thereof, all Letters Patent, Invention Registrations, Utility Models, Extension and other patent rights, that may or have been granted thereon in the United States of America or any territory in the world; together with the right to claim priority under the International Convention in all member countries (collectively "Related Patents"); and all causes of action arising therefrom including, without limitation, the right to enforce and sue for damages, injunctive relief, and/or other remedies for past, present, and future infringement of rights resulting from the Patents, and the right to recover and retain all monetary damages, proceeds (including, but not limited to, all license royalties), and/or other recovery thereof;

AND ASSIGNOR, for and in consideration of, the certain good and valuable consideration, does further sell, assign, transfer, and set over to ASSIGNEE, the right of priority to the Patents for all Related Patents, including without limitation, all applications pursuant to the Patent Cooperation Treaty and national and regional applications filed therefrom, all applications for the territory of the United States of America or any territory in the world, and all divisional, continuation, and continuation-in-part applications, and reissue applications thereof, and all applications in all territories in the world, and the right to be granted a patent for any of the foregoing applications;

AND ASSIGNOR covenants and agrees that it has the full right to convey the entire right, title, and interest herein assigned and that it has not executed and will not execute any assignment or other instrument in conflict with this Assignment;

AND ASSIGNOR further covenants and agrees that upon request by ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives, and/or assigns, and without further consideration, ASSIGNOR will do all lawful acts that may be necessary or desirable to assist ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives, and/or assigns to obtain and enforce patent protection for the Patents in the United States and in all territories in the world, it being understood that any expense incident to the rendering of such assistance will be borne by ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives, and/or assigns.

The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized and requested to issue the Letters Patent solely in accordance with the terms of this Assignment, to ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, as an assignee of an equal, undivided right, title, and interest therein.


This Assignment shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of State of New York.

This Assignment may be executed in counterparts, and said counterparts being deemed as original Assignment documents collectively.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Assignment as of the date indicated hereunder.

ASSIGNOR:

SUMMIT MINING INTERNATIONAL INC.


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Signature

Mitsuhiro Hirano
.....
Printed Name


President & CEO
.....
Title

February 8th, 2022
.....
Date

STATE OF New York)
) ss.
COUNTY OF New York)

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared MITSUHIRO HIRANO known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that she/he executed the same for the purposes and considerations therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 8th day of February, 2022.



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Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

CAROLE L. GONZALEZ
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01G04947687
Qualified in New York County
Commission Expires Feb. 27, 2023

ASSIGNEE:

SUMITOMO CORPORATION OF AMERICAS


Signature

Mitsuhiro Hirano
Printed Name

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EXHIBIT A

| Title | Country | Serial No. | Patent No. |
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| Thickener Dilution Tube | US | 13/654,314 | 9,861,911 |
| Thickener Dilution Tube | WO | PCT/US2013/065129 | PCT/US2013/065129 |
| Thickener Dilution Tube | AU | 2013331383 | 2013331383 |
| Thickener Dilution Tube | CA | 2,888,464 | 2,888,464 |
| Thickener Dilution Tube | CL | 9812015 | 59580 |
| Thickener Dilution Tube | MX | MX/a/2015/004699 | 355957 |
| Thickener Dilution Tube | PE | 496-2015 | 9182 |
| Brine Leaching Process for Recovering Valuable Metals from Oxide Materials | US | 14/703,308 | 10,400,306 |
| Brine Leaching Process for Recovering Valuable Metals from Oxide Materials | AR | P160103556 | |
| Brine Leaching Process for Recovering Valuable Metals from Oxide Materials | BO | SP-00086-2015 | 7017-B |
| Brine Leaching Process for Recovering Valuable Metals from Oxide Materials | AU | 2015259608 | 2015259608 |
| Brine Leaching Process for Recovering Valuable Metals from Oxide Materials | CA | 2,949,061 | 2,949,061 |
| Brine Leaching Process for Recovering Valuable Metals from Oxide Materials | WO | PCT/US15/29039 | |
| Brine Leaching Process for Recovering Valuable Metals from Oxide Materials | MX | MX/a/2016/014770 | |
| Brine Leaching Process for Recovering Valuable Metals from Oxide Materials | PE | 2214-2016 | |
| Brine Leaching Process for Recovering Valuable Metals from Oxide Materials | PE | 2003-2020 | |
| Brine Leaching Process for Recovering Valuable Metals from Oxide Materials | US | 61/992,036 | |