



To our Clients and Friends:

In general, mining extraction causes an alteration to the environment to some degree, depending on the type of project, processes and materials to be extracted. Therefore, the most important challenge for the environmental politics is to take care of the environment and the natural resources, without stopping the economic, industrial and social development of the present and future generations, therefore, now there is assigned more responsibility to companies for their mining projects, in order to prevent the environmental damage in all the stages of the project instead of correcting the damages already caused.

The activity of exploration, exploiting, and benefit of the minerals and substances reserved to the Federal Government in terms of the Mining Law, as Regulation of Article 27 of the Constitution, its subject to the evaluation of environmental impact and the change for the soil use authorization, both in charge of the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT). This instruments allow to obtain the necessary authorizations for exploiting the soil, as established by the General Law for the Ecological Equilibrium and Protection of the Environment (LGEEPA) which have as objective the performance of a study to determine the potential environmental impact that a project could cause, and the measures to be taken to avoid or diminish those damages.

Also, the mining projects must be registered as generators of hazardous materials, and comply with all the regulations, according to that established in the General Law for the Prevention and Integral Manage of the Residues.

Likewise, depending of the specific mining activities planed, it may be necessary the filing of a Program for the Prevention of Accidents, a Remedy Proposal, a Management Plan for the Hazardous Materials or other formalities in relation to the management and pollution of water.

In our experience, we have found that the non-compliance with the environmental laws is mainly due to the ignorance of all the formalities to be complied with, which can result in costly studies and remedy procedures. Be sure that you are at compliance with the environmental formalities.

We are at your service for any question related to the environmental matter of your company. Please do not hesitate to contact Alma Flores to arrange a meeting for more details.

Kind Regards,

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