

## Auditor Credentials Form

**Facility Audited: Western Mesquite Mines Inc.**

**Date: July 17 – 27, 2010 & August 17 - December 15, 2010 and March 2, 2011 to April 14, 2011**

### Lead Auditor Credentials

Lead Auditor: L. Noel Steward

Auditor Certification Number: N/A

Certifying Organization: Name: SAI Global

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**Minimum experience: 3 audits in past 7 years as Lead Auditor**

| Year        | Type of Facility, Type of Audit Led   | Country & State /Province  |
|-------------|---|--|
| 1999 - 2009 | Petro Chemical refineries certification, mining. Surveillance & recertification audits – ISO 9001, ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001 & AS/NZS 4801 (Lead auditor)  | Australia, (NSW, QLD, NT & WA); Indonesia (Java, East Kalimantan, Sumbawa & Sulawesi)) |
| 2003        | Gold Mine (PT Antam PBK) surveillance audit, ISO 14001, (Lead auditor   | Indonesia, Tambang, Java   |
| 2005        | Bauxite Mine & Alumina processing plant using Bayer process - Certification audit OHSAS 18001 (Auditor)   | Australia, Gove, NT  |
| 2004        | Gold mine (Lihir Gold) Certification ISO 14001 & OHSAS 18001 including Cyanide management (Auditor)   | Papua New Guinea, New Ireland  |
| 2007        | Gold mine (Lihir Gold) Recertification audit ISO 14001 & OHSAS 18001 including Cyanide management. (Auditor)  | Papua New Guinea, New Ireland  |
| 2005 - 2008 | Bauxite Mine & Alumina processing plant Surveillance & recertification audits - ISO 14001 & OHSAS 18001. (Lead auditor)                                 | Australia, Gove, NT  |
| 2008        | Gold mine (Mineração Pedra Branca do Amapari Ltd) Gap analysis ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001, Equator principles & Intl Cyanide Management Code (Lead auditor) | Brazil, Amapari  |
| 2009        | Gold mine (Peak Gold) gap analyses ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001 & Intl Cyanide Management Code (Lead auditor)   | Australia, Cobar NSW   |
| 2009        | Gold mine (Minera San Xavier - Cerro San Pedro) Gap analysis OHSAS 18001, Equator principles & Intl Cyanide Management Code (Lead auditor)              | Mexico, San Luis Potisi  |
| 2010        | Gold mine (Western Mesquite Mining Inc (Verification audit ICMC & gap analysis ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001(Lead auditor)                                     | USA, Bawley CA   |

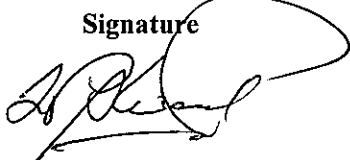

### Cyanide-related Operations Experience

Each auditor must have at least 3 years; at least one auditor must have at least 7 years experience

| Auditor         | Months / Weeks  | Relevant Position Titles  | Types of Operations  |
|-----------------|---|---|--|
| L. Noel Steward | 11 mo specific to gold mining (1973 – 1980)             | Snr Electrical engineer (Canada)  | Petro / chemical refineries, chemical plants, gas processing plants, and mining operations including gold mining.  |
| L. Noel Steward | 10 mo specific to gold mining (1991 – 1999)             | Senior consultant / auditor   | Gold mining operations – Consulting, training and auditing services<br>Petro / Chemical refineries - Consulting, training and auditing services  |
| L. Noel Steward | 43wks (16 wks specific to gold mining) (1999 – present) | Integrated management systems lead auditor  | Gold mines and other mines using hazardous & non hazardous chemicals for hydrometallurgy / ore beneficiation, tailings dams operations & rehabilitation.   |
| John Bokich     | 1 year 2004   | Manager Environmental Operations, Metallic Venture Gold, Reno, NV, USA  | Gold Cyanide Leach Operation with CIP and tailings dam. On-site Environmental Manager.   |
|                 | 3 years 2001 - 2003                                     | Corporate Environmental Manager/Director, Kinross Gold Company. Managed Environmental Audit Program for Kinross world-wide operations. Also conducted Pre-CN Code Gap Audits on all Kinross Operations. | Gold and Silver mining operations world-wide, all with cyanide leaching processes. Included heap leach with Merrill-Crowe process and mills with CIL, CIP and tailings facilities.                         |
|                 | 2 years 1993 - 1995                                     | Environmental Manager, Coeur d'Alene Mining, Golden Cross Mine, Waihi, New Zealand.   | Gold and Silver mining operation with cyanide CIL mill and tailings facility. Cyanide recovery operations (AVR). On site Environmental Manager.  |
|                 | 3 years 1990 - 1993                                     | Environmental Manager, Independence Mining Company, Jerritt Canyon and Big Springs Mines, Elko, NV, USA   | Gold and Silver mining operations with fluidized bed roaster, chlorination circuit, CIL cyanide leach circuit, heap leach with Merrill-Crowe process and tailings facility. On-site Environmental Manager. |
|                 | 8 years 1982 - 1990                                     | Corporate Environmental Manager, Santa Fe Pacific Minerals, Albuquerque, NM, USA  | Rabbit Creek and Lone Tree Gold Mines in Humboldt County, Nevada, USA. Cyanide CIP and CIL processes with tailings facilities.   |
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Statement of No Conflict

I certify that I have not audited any component of this facility for which I was responsible for design or development; nor have I within the past year been an employee of the facility, its parent company, or associated affiliates. Excluding audits, I have not derived more than 30% of my income within the past 5 years from the facility, its parent, or associated affiliates. I have not participated in more than two consecutive Cyanide Code audits of this facility. I have participated in at least 3 health, safety, and/or environmental audits in the past 7 years and am familiar with standard audit procedures as well as with the protocols developed by the International Cyanide Management Institute for implementation of the Code.

| Signed,                             | Name            | Signature  | Date            |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| Lead Auditor*                       | L. Noel Steward |  | 07. AUGUST 2011 |
| Auditor 1<br>(Technical Specialist) | John Bokich     |  | 06 May 2011     |

\*The lead auditor's signature must be certified by notarization or equivalent.

  
**MARK A GROVENOR (JP)**  
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