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#### NEWMONT GHANA - AKYEM GOLD MINE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION LETTER

Dear Sir

The Newmont Ghana (Newmont) Akyem Gold Mine was found to be in substantial compliance with the International Cyanide Management Code for the Manufacture, Transport, and use of Cyanide in the Production of Gold (the Code) on 27 January 2022. Accordingly, Akyem Gold Mine developed a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) to address the identified deficiencies (Newmont Ghana - Newmont Akyem Gold Mine, Corrective Action Plan, January 2022).

This letter confirms the successful implementation of the CAP resulting in the operation being fully compliant with the Code.

## **Verification of Corrective Action Plan Implementation**

A review of the evidence presented by Akyem Gold Mine, supporting the full implementation of the CAP was conducted by Golder Associates Pty Ltd (Golder), now a member of WSP, in September 2022. The results are summarised in Table 1.

**Table 1: CAP Implementation Verification** 

Standard of Practice 2.2		orters implement appropriate emergency response ploy adequate measures for cyanide management.
Deficiency summary in relation to Protocol Question 2.2.2.	Cyanide purchased from the Asahi Kasei Corporation production facility in Japan is transported by an uncertified transporter to the port of Mizuzhima before it is further transported by sea to the port of Tema and onward by a certified transporter to the Akyem Gold Mine.	
Corrective Action		Finding / Evidence
Six months of chain of custody records identifying all elements of the supply chain (producer, transporters and transfer facilities) that handled the cyanide delivered to site.		Akyem Gold Mine has completed this corrective action and is Fully Compliant with this question and Standard of Practice.  Specific evidence reviewed indicated that Akyem Gold Mine has provided 6 months of chain of custody record

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### Standard of Practice 2.2

Require that cyanide transporters implement appropriate emergency response plans and capabilities and employ adequate measures for cyanide management.

Evidence that all identified transporters / supply chains are certified in compliance with the code:

- https://cyanidecode.org/sig-directorytype/samsung-ct-corporation-republic-ofkorea/
- https://cyanidecode.org/sig-directorytype/vehrad-transport-and-haulage-limitedghana/

identifying all elements of the supply chain that handled the cyanide delivered to site.

The identified transporters are individually certified under the Code or included in certified supply chains:

The Samsung Africa Supply Chain includes transport from manufacturers in Korea using certified carriers SAM IK Logistics Co. Ltd. and Hae Dong Logistics to Pusan New Port, South Korea, followed by ocean transport by shipping companies MSC, Maersk Hapag Lloyd, and Safmarine to the Port of Tema (amongst others), followed by road transportation by, amongst others, Vehrad Transport and Haulage Ltd.

The Samsung Africa Supply Chain is a certified transporter under the Code and was recertified against the Code on 15 June 2021.

Vehrad Transport and Haulage is a certified transporter under the Code and was recertified on 23 September 2021.

# **Statement of Compliance**

Based on the evidence observed, I am satisfied that Akyem Gold Mine has fully implemented the Corrective Action Plan submitted to the ICMI and consequently the operation is fully compliant with the Code.

Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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