## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

IN RE: GOLD KING MINE RELEASE IN SAN JUAN COUNTY, COLORADO, ON AUGUST 5, 2015

No. 1:18-md-02824-WJ

This Document Relates to: No. 1:18-cv-00744-WJ

## MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER DENYING AS MOOT KINROSS GOLD U.S.A., INC. AND KINROSS GOLD CORPORATION'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AS TO CLAIMS ASSERTED BY THE ALLEN PLAINTIFFS

**THIS MATTER** comes before the Court on Kinross Gold U.S.A., Inc. and Kinross Gold Corporation's (collectively "Kinross Defendants") Motion for Summary Judgment as to Claims Asserted by the *Allen* Plaintiffs, Doc. 1172, filed April 22, 2021 ("Motion").<sup>1</sup>

The Court granted Sunnyside Gold Corporation's motion for partial summary judgment concluding that the *Allen* Plaintiffs' tort claims against Sunnyside are barred by Colorado's statute of repose. *See* Doc. 1156, filed March 31, 2021. The Kinross Defendants subsequently filed their Motion in which they contend that the *Allen* Plaintiffs' claims against the Kinross Defendants are also barred by Colorado's statute of repose because Sunnyside was an indirect subsidiary of the Kinross Defendants. *See* Motion at 5-7.

The Court denies as moot the Kinross Defendants' Motion for summary judgment that the Allen Plaintiffs' claims are barred by Colorado's statute of repose because, *after* the Kinross Defendants filed their Motion now before the Court, the Court ruled that it does not have personal jurisdiction over the Kinross Defendants. *See* Doc. 1175 at 9, filed April 29, 2021 (concluding that the Kinross Defendants "do not have the minimum contacts with New Mexico to establish

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Counsel apparently filed the same motion twice as Documents 1171 and 1172 on April 22, 2021. The Clerk's Office administratively terminated Doc. 1171.

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specific jurisdiction because the additional facts asserted by the *Allen* Plaintiffs do not meet the 'purposeful direction' and 'arising out of' requirements necessary for specific jurisdiction").

**IT IS ORDERED** that Kinross Gold U.S.A., Inc. and Kinross Gold Corporation's Motion for Summary Judgment as to Claims Asserted by the *Allen* Plaintiffs, Doc. 1172, filed April 22, 2021, is **DENIED as moot**.

ON WILLIAM P. JOHN

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE