



# MOJAVE DESERT AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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## AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT

B011949

If construction is not completed by the expiration date of this permit, it may be renewed for one additional year upon payment of applicable fees. Any additional extension will require the written approval of the Air Pollution Control Officer. This Authority to Construct may serve as a temporary Permit to Operate provided the APCO is given prior notice of intent to operate and the Permit to Operate is not specifically denied.

**EXPIRES LAST DAY OF: FEBRUARY 2027**

### OWNER OF OPERATOR (Co.#2349)

MP Mine Operations LLC  
67750 Bailey Road  
Mountain Pass, CA 92366

### EQUIPMENT LOCATION (Fac.#364)

Mountain Pass Mine  
67750 Bailey Road  
Mountain Pass, CA 92366

#### **Description:**

LANTHANUM CARBONATE PRODUCTION consisting of: Permit fees calculated in accordance with Rule 301(E)(2)(e) as follows: [btu + hp x 2550]/1,000,000

#### **EQUIPMENT**

| Capacity | Equipment Description                                    |
|----------|--|
| 0        | 572-F65-CAL171 Lanthanum Carbonate Calciner              |
| 15       | F65-CAL171MI1 Calciner Main Drive Motor                  |
| 3        | F65-CAL171M2 Calciner Auxiliary Drive Motor              |
| 10       | F65-BR171 Calciner Low Nox Burner                        |
| 0        | 572-F65-HP201 Lanthanum Carbonate Bin                    |
| 1        | 572-F65-RV201 Lanthanum Carbonate Bin Rotary Valve       |
| 5        | 572-F65-CV201 Lanthanum Carbonate Calciner Feed Conveyor |
| 15       | 572-F65-BL171 Blower                                     |
| 15       | 572-F65-CLR171 Cooler                                    |
| 3        | 572-F65-ZL180 Lanthanum Carbonate Bucket Elevator        |
| 2.5      | 572-F65-SC181 Lanthanum Trash Screen                     |
| 0        | 572-F65-HP182 30 Tonne Dry Lanthanum Carbonate Bin       |
| 0        | 572-F65-PK182 Weigh Scale                                |

Fee Schedule: 2 (e)

Rating: 10150000 Btu

SIC: 1099

SCC: 30599999

Location/UTM(Km):  
634E/3926N

This permit does not authorize the emission of air contaminants in excess of those allowed by law, including Division 26 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California and the Rules and Regulations of the District. This permit cannot be construed as permission to violate existing laws, ordinances, statutes or regulations of this or other governmental agencies. This permit must be renewed by the expiration date above. If billing for renewal fee required by Rule 301(c) is not received by expiration date above, please contact the District.

MP Mine Operations LLC  
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Las Vegas, NV 89135

By: **COPY**  
**Eldon Heaston**  
Air Pollution Control Officer

## CONDITIONS:

1. This equipment shall be operated and maintained in strict accord with the recommendations of its manufacturer or supplier and/or sound engineering principles.  
[District Rules 204 and 1303]

2. Throughput processed may not exceed 35,419 tons/yr.  
[District Rule 1303 - Offsets]

3. NO<sub>x</sub> emissions from the calciner (F65-CAL171) shall not exceed 106.87 ppm NO<sub>x</sub>, calculated at 3% O<sub>2</sub>.  
[District Rule 1303]

4. The owner/operator, o/o, shall perform an annual compliance test in accordance with the MDAQMD Compliance Test Procedural Manual. The annual test shall be performed no more than 12 months from the date of the prior annual test. The o/o shall conduct all required compliance/certification tests in accordance with a District-approved test plan. Thirty (30) days prior to the compliance/certification tests the operator shall provide a written test plan for District review and approval. Written notice of the compliance/certification test shall be provided to the District ten (10) days prior to the tests so that an observer may be present. A written report with the results of such compliance/certification tests shall be submitted to the District within forty-five (45) days after testing. All compliance/certification test notifications, protocols, and results may be submitted electronically to reporting@mdaqmd.ca.gov.

The following annual compliance test is required and must be conducted at full load:

a. NO<sub>x</sub> as NO<sub>2</sub> in ppmvd at 3% oxygen (measured per USEPA Reference Method 7E).

A source test shall be performed on this equipment within 90 days of full commissioning following re-start, and no later than 180 days from resuming operation.  
[District Rule 1302(C)(2)(a)]

5. All material handling equipment included in this system and all material transfer points shall be enclosed and vented to the properly functioning baghouse under valid District permit number C011948.  
[District Rule 1303 BACT]

6. Materials processed by equipment delineated above shall maintain compliance with District rules 401, 402, and 403.

7. Actual emissions from this facility shall be less than the following:

a. 42 tons per year of NO<sub>x</sub> [Rule 1303(B)]

b. 46 tons per year of PM<sub>10</sub> [Rule 1303(B)]

c. 25 tons per year of VOC

d. 25 tons per year of SO<sub>x</sub>

e. 100 tons per year of CO, calculated on a rolling twelve-month basis

f. 10 tons per year for any single HAP and 25 tons per year for any combination of HAPs calculated on a rolling twelve-month basis.

HAPs are defined in 40 CFR 61.01 and are the chemical compounds listed in section 112(b) of the Clean Air Act (Act). Compliance with the annual emission limits shall be demonstrated via 12 month rolling sum for CO and HAP via annual emission inventory reports for all criteria pollutants and HAP.

[District Rule 1303 - Offsets]