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## STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF RAMSEY

DISTRICT COURT

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT Case Type: Civil Other/Misc. The Honorable John H. Guthmann

In the Matter of the Denial of Contested Case Hearing Requests and Issuance of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System/State Disposal System Permit No. MN0071013 for the Proposed NorthMet Project St. Louis County Hoyt Lakes and Babbitt Minnesota

Case No. 62-CV-19-4626

POLY MET MINING, INC.'S NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION IN LIMINE TO EXCLUDE EVIDENCE OF ALLEGED IRREGULARITIES THAT EXCEED THE SCOPE OF THIS MATTER

TO: Center for Biological Diversity, Friends of the Boundary Waters Wilderness, and Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy and their attorneys Elise Larson and Kevin Reuther, Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy, 1919 University Avenue West, St. Paul, MN 55101, William Pentelovitch, Margaret Brownell and Evan Nelson, Maslon LLP, 90 South Seventh Street, 3300 Wells Fargo Center, Minneapolis, MN 55402, and Daniel Poretti and Matthew Murphy, Nilan Johnson Lewis, P.A., 120 South Sixth Street, Suite 400, Minneapolis, MN 55402;

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Poly Met Mining, Inc. ("PolyMet") will bring the motion set forth below for hearing on January 21, 2020 at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard before the Honorable Judge John H. Guthmann, Courtroom 1480 of the Ramsey County Courthouse, St. Paul, Minnesota.

PolyMet moves the Court for an order granting PolyMet's Motion in Limine to Exclude Evidence of Alleged Irregularities that Exceed the Scope of this Matter. This motion is based on all the files, records and proceedings herein and upon the memorandum in support and declarations to be filed in accordance with Minnesota Rules of Civil Procedure and Minnesota General Rules of Practice – District Courts. Dated: December 27, 2019

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The undersigned hereby acknowledges that pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 549.211, Subd. 3, sanctions may be imposed if, after notice and a reasonable opportunity to respond, the Court determines that the undersigned has violated the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 549.211, Subd. 2.

> s/ Monte A. Mills Monte A. Mills