COUNTY: Grant DISTRICT: Bayard

INSPECTED BY: VTM, Raymond Chavez, Bob Garcia

DATE: 12/8/93

MINE NAME/ALAIS: Peerless

USGS QUADRANGLE: Fort Bayard 7-1/2 4° LOCATION: NW NW sec. 1 T18S R13W 32 46'55" 108 8'45"

ELEVATION: 6060 ft.

OWNWERSHIP/DISCOVERY/PATENTED: patented 1980's

DEVELOPMENT: shaft, 8 x 12 ft trench

PRODUCTION, EXPLORATION: prior to 1943 4000 tons containing 102 oz Au, 12,000 oz Ag, 32,000 lbs Cu, 806,000 lbs Pb, 1,012,000 lbs Zn; 1943-1945 20,918 tons containing 518 oz Au, 32,698 oz Ag, 58,000 lbs Cu, 3,514,000 lbs Pb, 5,384,000 lbs Zn (Anderson, 1957), USBM drilled in 1946 and found Zn at 1800 ft

STATIS: inactive

GEOLOGY

HOST: hornblende quartz diorite (Cretaceous)

STRUCTURE:

MINERLOGY: pyrite, sphalerite, galena, chalcopyrite, smithsonite, Fe and Mn oxides, calcite, quartz, chlorite, smectite

SIZE:

ASSAYS:

ALTERATION: chlorite-smectite, silicification, Fe and Mn oxides

RECOMMENDATIONS: determine extent of acid generation

TYPE OF DEPOSIT: Laramide vein

COMMENTS: select dump sample Man J, shaft caved, large dump which produces acid during wet periods as evidenced by white ${\rm Zn}(?)$ precipatate

REFERENCES: Soule (1947) RI4044, Farnham (1996), Jones et al. (1970) GQ-865, Lasky (1936) B970