

CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFIED PERSON

Richard K Zimmerman, M.Sc., R.G., SME-RM

I, Richard K Zimmerman, M.Sc., R.G., SME-RM, do hereby certify that:

1. I am currently employed as Environmental Geologist by:
M3 Engineering & Technology Corporation
2051 Sunset Road, Ste. 101
Tucson, AZ 85704
2. This certificate applies to the technical report titled, "NI 43-101 Technical Report, Preliminary Economic Assessment of the Cerro Las Minitas Project, Durango State, Mexico" prepared for Southern Silver Exploration Corp. ("Southern Silver") with an effective date of August 29, 2022.
3. I am a graduate of Carleton College and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Geology in 1976. I am also a graduate of the University of Michigan and received a Master of Science degree in Geology in 1980.
4. I am a:
 - Registered Professional Geologist in the State of Arizona (No. 24064)
 - Registered Member in good standing of the Society for Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration, Inc. (No. 3612900RM)
5. I have practiced geology, mineral exploration, environmental remediation, and project management for 41 years. I have worked for mining and exploration companies for 9 years, engineering consulting firms for 22 years. The past 11 years have been spent with M3 Engineering & Technology Corporation managing, planning, and constructing processing plants for base and precious metals including over 20 technical reports.
6. I have read the definition of "qualified person" set out in National Instrument 43-101 ("NI 43-101") and certify that by reason of my education, affiliation with a professional association (as defined in NI 43-101) and past relevant experience, I fulfill the requirements to be a "qualified person" for the purposes of NI 43-101.
7. I am responsible for Section 20, and corresponding portions of 1, 25, 26, and 27 of the Technical Report.
8. I have had no prior involvement with the property that is the subject of the Technical Report. I have not visited the Cerro Las Minitas project site.
9. As of the date of this certificate, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the parts of the Technical Report for which I am responsible contain all scientific and technical information that is required to be disclosed to make the Technical Report not misleading.
10. I am independent of the issuer applying all tests in Section 1.5 of National Instrument 43-101.
11. I have read National Instrument 43-101 and Form 43-101F1, and the Technical Report has been prepared in compliance with that instrument and form.
12. I consent to the filing of the Technical Report with any stock exchange and other regulatory authority and any publication by them of the Technical Report for regulatory purposes including electronic publication in the public company files on their websites accessible by the public.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2022.

"Signed"

Richard K. Zimmerman, M.Sc., R.G., SME-RM