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March 27, 2017

DANIEL B. LOWE,

Complainant,

v.

VERIS GOLD USA, INC., and JERRITT

Respondents.

DISCRIMINATION PROCEEDINGS

Docket No. WEST 2014-614-DM

WE-MD 14-04

MATTHEW A. VARADY,

CANYON GOLD, LLC.

Complainant,

v.

VERIS GOLD USA, INC., and JERRITT CANYON GOLD, LLC.

Respondents.

Docket No. WEST 2014-307-DM

WE-MD 14-03

Mine: Jerritt Canyon Mill

Mine ID: 26-01621

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

These cases are before me upon complaints of discrimination under section 105(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977, 30 U.S.C. § 815(c) by Daniel Lowe and Matthew Varady ("Complainants") against Veris Gold USA, Inc. ("Veris") and Jerritt Canyon Gold LLC ("JCG").

On March 20, 2017, this court issued an Order granting JCG's Motion to Dismiss and Denying the Complainants' motion to add additional parties as successors in interest to Veris Gold. The court found that while the Complainants established their discrimination claims against Veris Gold, the Bankruptcy Court's Sale Order and Enforcement Order barred their claims against JCG and other entities as successors in interest to the sale of Veris's assets. The Order instructed the Complainants that should they choose to do so, they may obtain an order of payment against Veris Gold by resubmitting claims for personal relief. If the Complainants elected not to so, they were to inform the court, and the Court would immediately issue an Order of Dismissal.

On March 21, 2017, the Complainants notified the Court via email that they "d[id] not seek to make claims against Veris Gold USA, Inc., at this time because to do so would be futile as there are no assets left to make claims against due to the sale of Veris Gold USA, Inc. in accordance with the Bankruptcy Order."

Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED** that these cases be **DISMISSED**. The Complainants have 30 days from the date of this Order to appeal the March 20, 2017 decision to the Commission for discretionary review.

David P. Simonton Administrative Law Judge

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