

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

FRANCONIA MINERALS (US) LLC;  
and TWIN METALS MINNESOTA  
LLC,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
*et al.*,

Defendants,

and

NORTHEASTERN MINNESOTANS  
FOR WILDERNESS,

Defendant-Intervenor.

Civil Action No. 16-3042 SRN/LIB

**PLAINTIFFS' NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL  
WITHOUT PREJUDICE**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A)(i), plaintiffs Franconia Minerals (US) LLC and Twin Metals Minnesota LLC file this notice voluntarily dismissing this action without prejudice. By this notice, dismissal of this action without prejudice is effective immediately. Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(A)(i); *Adams v. USAA Cas. Ins. Co.*, 863 F.3d 1069, 1080 (8th Cir. 2017) ("Rule 41(a)(1) cases require no judicial approval or review as a prerequisite to dismissal; in fact, the dismissal is effective upon filing, with

no court action required.”); *Williams v. Clarke*, 82 F.3d 270, 272 (8th Cir. 1996) (“[A] notice of dismissal ... operates as a matter of right upon notice to the court, and permission of the court is not required.”).

Respectfully submitted,

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