

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

October 17, 2014

Via E-mail
Robert P. Vogels
Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
Golden Minerals Company
350 Indiana Street, Suite 800
Golden, CO 80401

Re: Golden Minerals Company
Registration Statement on Form S-3
Filed September 30, 2014
File No. 333-199026

Dear Mr. Vogels:

We have limited our review of your registration statement to those issues we have addressed in our comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter by amending your registration statement and providing the requested information. Where you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your registration statement and the information you provide in response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

## Prospectus Cover Page

1. We note that you are offering \$200,000,000 of your securities under Rule 415(a)(4) of Regulation C under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. It appears that you do not meet the threshold of \$75 million or more in aggregate market value of your voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates as required by General Instruction I.B.1. to Form S-3. If you are instead relying on General Instruction I.B.6. to register this offering, please revise your prospectus in accordance with Instruction 7 to set forth on the outside front cover of the prospectus the calculations of the aggregate market value of your outstanding voting and nonvoting common equity pursuant to General Instruction I.B.6. and the amount of all securities offered pursuant to General Instruction I.B.6. during the prior 12 calendar month period that ends on, and includes, the date of the prospectus.

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We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Act of 1933 and all applicable Securities Act rules require. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

Notwithstanding our comments, in the event you request acceleration of the effective date of the pending registration statement please provide a written statement from the company acknowledging that:

- should the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, declare the filing effective, it does not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing;
- the action of the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, in declaring the filing effective, does not relieve the company from its full responsibility for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments and the declaration of effectiveness as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We will consider a written request for acceleration of the effective date of the registration statement as confirmation of the fact that those requesting acceleration are aware of their respective responsibilities under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as they relate to the proposed public offering of the securities specified in the above registration statement. Please allow adequate time for us to review any amendment prior to the requested effective date of the registration statement.

Please contact Hillary Daniels at (202) 551-3959 or Pamela Howell at (202) 551-3357 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Pamela Howell for

John Reynolds Assistant Director

cc: Deborah Friedman
Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP