



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

DIVISION OF  
CORPORATION FINANCE

Mail Stop 3561

September 13, 2016

Via E-mail

Warren M. Rehn  
Chief Executive Officer  
Golden Minerals Company  
350 Indiana Street, Suite 800  
Golden, Colorado 80401

**Re: Golden Minerals Company  
Registration Statement on Form S-3  
Filed August 23, 2016  
File No. 333-213268**

Dear Mr. Rehn:

We have limited our review of your registration statement to those issues we have addressed in our comment. In our comment, 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. If you do not believe our comment applies 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 this comment, we may have additional comments.

1. Given the nature of the offering, the size of the offering compared to the number of shares outstanding held by non-affiliates, the selling shareholders relationship to the company and the length of time the selling shareholders have held the shares, it appears that these securities might be offered by you or on your behalf. Please provide us with a detailed analysis of why this offering is not being conducted by you or on your behalf. Your analysis should address all of the factors set forth in Securities Act Rules Compliance and Disclosure Interpretation 612.09, which can be found at SEC.gov.

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.

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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.

You may contact Jonathan Burr at (202) 551-5833 or David Link at (202) 551-3356 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ David Link for

John Reynolds  
Assistant Director  
Office of Beverages, Apparel, and  
Mining

cc: Deborah J. Friedman  
Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP