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28/07/2002

POWER OF ATTORNEY

VISTA MINING CORPORATION, a private Tennessee corporation (the "Company"), with its head office at Suite 900, 595 Howe Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 2T5 hereby appoints **ARNOLD ATITSO** of P. O. Box B, 585, Community 2, Tema, Ghana, to act as the Company's Attorney-in-Fact ("Agent").

The Company hereby revokes any and all powers of attorney that previously have been signed by the Company.

Our Agent shall have full power and authority to act on our behalf. This power and authority shall authorize my Agent to manage, give evidence and conduct all of my affairs and to exercise all of my legal rights and powers, in defense of a civil law suit brought against the Company by the Plaintiff, Mr. John Simpson.

My Agent shall not be liable for any loss that results from a judgment error that was made in good faith. However, my Agent shall be liable for willful misconduct or the failure to act in good faith while acting under the authority of this Power of Attorney.

I authorize my Agent to indemnify and hold harmless any third party who accepts and acts under this document.

My Agent shall be entitled to reasonable compensation for any services provided as my Agent. My Agent shall be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable expenses incurred in connection with this Power of Attorney.

My Agent shall provide an accounting for all funds handled and all acts performed as my Agent, if I so request or if such a request is made by any authorized personal representative or fiduciary acting on my behalf.

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This Power of Attorney shall become effective immediately. This is a Durable Power of Attorney. This Power of Attorney shall continue effective until revoked by me at any time by providing written notice to my Agent.

This document executed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2002 in the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia.

VISTA MINING CORPORATION

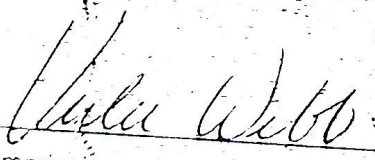


Authorized Signatory

William Pettigrew  
Chief Financial Officer & Director

Name of Signing Officer

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2002 by VISTA MINING CORPORATION who is personally known to me or who has produced proper identification and necessary corporate resolutions to grant this Power of Attorney.



A Commissioner for taking Oaths in the Province of British Columbia.

VERILEE L. WEBB  
BARRISTER & SOLICITOR

Name typed, printed or stamped  
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