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12	CORPORATION,	Case No. 2:24-bk-06359-EPB
13	Debtor in a Foreign Proceeding.	
14	In re:	
15	Golden Vertex Corp., Debtor in a Foreign Proceeding.	Case No. 2:24-bk-06364-DPC
16	In re:	
17 18	Golden Vertex (Idaho) Corp., Debtor in a Foreign Proceeding.	Case No. 2:24-bk-06367-BKM
19	In re:	
20	Eclipse Gold Mining Corporation, Debtor in a Foreign Proceeding.	Case No. 2:24-bk-06368-MCW
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23	Debtor in a Foreign Proceeding.	
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THE GROUP'S MOTION TO EXPEDITE MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AGAINST NOMAD ROYALTY COMPANY LIMITED

Elevation Gold Mining Corporation ("Elevation") and its direct and indirect subsidiaries which include Eclipse Gold Mining Corporation ("Eclipse"), and Golden Vertex Corp. ("GVC") (collectively, the "Group"), respectfully request that the Court enter an order pursuant to Local Rule 9013-1(i) expediting the hearing, briefing schedule, and determination on the Group's Motion for Summary Judgment against Nomad Royalty Company Limited [DE 83] ("Summary Judgment Motion") filed contemporaneously with this Motion.

A. Basis for expedited hearing, briefing schedule and determination.

As the Court knows, the Group obtained protection from its creditors in proceedings No. S245121 (the "Canadian Proceeding") commenced under Canada's Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36 (as amended, the "CCAA"), pending before the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Canadian Court").

A hearing is set before Justice Fitzpatrick in the Canadian Court for consideration of a motion to approve a sale of the Group's assets, including the assets comprising the Moss Mine, which is scheduled to be heard on November 22, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. The current Purchase Sale Agreement requires that sale to close on or before December 31, 2024. As part of that closing, the proposed purchaser requires a ruling by this Court as to the nature of Nomad's interest in the Group's assets. If a determination is not made by such time, under the current agreement, the purchaser will not close the transaction and may even terminate the acquisition. Such a termination would have a devastating effect on the Group's prospect going forward and may require all operations at the mine to cease which would seriously impair the value of Group's assets. Accordingly, the Group requests that this Court set a hearing and briefing schedule on the Summary Judgment Motion as soon as practicable so that a determination regarding Nomad's interest in the Moss Mine can be made prior December 31, 2024.

The Group previously filed its Motion to Determine the Nature of Nomad Royalty Company Limited's Interest [DE 53] ("Motion to Determine") and sought to expedite a determination on that matter. *See* [DE 55]. Nomad disputed the Motion to Determine and opposed the acceleration of any briefing on that motion because it believed an adversary proceeding was necessary. *See* Nomad Royalty Company Limited's (i) Obj. to Mot. to Expedite Royalty Determination Motions and (ii) Joinder in Patriot Gold Corporation's Obj. to Mot. for Expedited Consideration of Debtors' Motions to Avoid Royalty Interests in Arizona Mine [DE 60]. While Nomad has not formally responded to the Motion to Determine, it unquestionably opposes it and the relief sought. This Court has yet to formally grant or deny the Group's motion to expedite the Motion to Determine.

However, Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 7056, which incorporates Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56, applies to contested matters and adversaries. *See* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9014(c). Accordingly, whether the Group's dispute vis-à-vis Nomad is an adversary or a contested matter, Rule 7056 allows the filing of a motion for summary judgment at any time, except that any motion for summary judgment must be made at least 30 days before the initial date set for an evidentiary hearing on any issue for which summary judgment is sought. *See also In re Decker*, 199 B.R. 684, 689–90 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1996) (concluding bankruptcy court did not commit reversible error when it resolved legal issue raised via "the equivalent of a summary judgment motion" in a contested matter rather than through adversary proceeding). No evidentiary hearing has currently been set regarding any issue in the Summary Judgment Motion and the filing of the Summary Judgment Motion is appropriate procedurally and to quickly address the issues before the Court.

¹ "[W]henever there is an actual dispute, other than an adversary proceeding, before the bankruptcy court, the litigation to resolve that dispute is a contested matter Even when an objection is not formally required, there may be a dispute." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9014 Notes of Advisory Committee on Rules—1983.

1 Accordingly, the Group respectfully requests an expedited hearing and briefing 2 schedule be set on the Summary Judgment Motion as soon as practicable so that a 3 determination of Nomad's interests can be made prior to December 31, 2024. 4 В. Service and associated contact information 5 Service on the following counsel will be made immediately upon filing this request 6 and the Expedited Motion through the Court's ECF system and courtesy copies will be 7 delivered promptly via email after filing. 8 The contact information for all parties in interest or their counsel is below: 9 **Hartmut Baitis** 2705 Loraine Drive 10 Missoula, MT 59803 baitisi@gmail.com 11 12 Jeffrey Charles Whitley Whitley Legal Group, P.C. 13 17550 N. Perimeter Dr., Ste 100 Scottsdale, AZ 85255 14 jeff@whitleylegalgroup.com 15 Robert M Charles Jr. 16 Lewis Roca Rothgerber Christie LLP 17 1 South Church Ave., Ste. 2000 Tucson, AZ 85701-1611 18 520-629-4427 520-879-4705 (fax) 19 rcharles@lewisroca.com 20 William L. Roberts 21 Lawson Lundell LLP 22 1600 - 925 West Georgia Street VANCOUVER V6C 3L2 23 BC 604-631-9163 24 wroberts@lawsonlundell.com 25 Robert B. Hawkins 26 3689 South Gallatin Way 27 Boise, ID 83709 (208) 317-1044 28 robertbhawkins@cs.com

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25	C. Conclusion
26	Accordingly, for the reasons stated herein, the Group requests that this Court set an
27	expedited hearing and briefing schedule on the Summary Judgment Motion so that a
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1	determination on Nomad's interest related to the real property can be decided prior	
2	December 31, 2024, which is the closing date provided in the Purchase Sale Agreement.	
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