



DIVISION OF
CORPORATION FINANCE

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

January 11, 2011

Corrado de Gasperis
Chief Executive Officer
Comstock Mining Inc.
1200 American Flat Road
Virginia City, Nevada 89440

**Re: Comstock Mining Inc.
Item 4.01 Form 8-K
Filed January 10, 2011
File No. 000-32429**

Dear Mr. De Gasperis:

We have reviewed your filing and have the following 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 within five business days by amending your filing, by providing the requested information, or by advising us when you will provide the requested response. If 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 filing and the information you provide in response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

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1. Please note that Item 304(a)(1)(ii) of Regulation S-K requires a statement as to whether the accountant's report on the financial statements for either of the past two years contained an adverse opinion or a disclaimer of opinion or was qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles; and a description of the nature of each such adverse opinion, disclaimer of opinion, modification or qualification. This would include disclosure of uncertainty regarding the ability to continue as a going concern in the accountant's report. Please amend your filing accordingly.
2. To the extent that you make changes to the Form 8-K to comply with our comments, please obtain and file an updated Exhibit 16 letter from the former accountants stating whether the accountant agrees with the statements made in your revised Form 8-K.

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 Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable Exchange 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.

In responding to our comments, please provide a written statement from the company acknowledging that:

- the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

You may contact Jennifer O'Brien at (202) 551-3721, if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact me at (202) 551-3299 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

Mark C. Shannon
Branch Chief