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Dear Mr Howe,

REX MINERALS (SA) PTY LTD HILLSIDE PROJECT
MINING LEASE PROPOSAL AND MANAGEMENT PLAN

I refer to your letter dated 10 September 2013 regarding the public comment period for this proposed project.

I own the house at [REDACTED] Pine Point, ownership of which has been in my family since 1971. While this is not my primary residence, which is in Adelaide, my wife and I and our family occupy this house at Pine Point for 70 to 100 days each year, typically visiting for about one week per month through all seasons. We do not use it for rental income from others.

The residents of Pine Point are a mixture of permanent home dwellers and others, like us, who use our houses on a part-time basis for vacation breaks.

I am strongly opposed to this proposed mine, which would dramatically impact on the peaceful character of the area in a negative way.

Three issues are of primary concern to me, which are:

- **Noise and vibration** - The tranquil nature of the area is at extreme risk of being lost because of blasting activity and the operation of many extremely heavy vehicles at the mine. If the mine is developed, then blasting activity should be confined to week days between 11am and 2pm.
Unacceptably powerful vibration from blasting activity would cause emotional concern to residents in nearby houses and possible physical damage to buildings.
- **Dust** - There is potential for detrimental public health and environmental effects from dust emanating from the mining operations, such as due to the blasting of rock and the movement of the many heavy trucks and loading machinery. There is a significant risk of aesthetic nuisance to local households from such dust.
- **Increased road traffic** - The development and operation of this proposed mine would clearly increase the volumes of both light and heavy vehicle traffic on local public roads. As well as contributing to noise nuisance and reduced road safety, this would cause increased rate of damage and therefore cost of maintenance of the public roads.

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These concerns are held notwithstanding the extensive studies which have been conducted alleging that such issues can be managed appropriately to prevent detrimental effects.

Any one of such issues, if only potentially threatening, is likely to have already reduced the real estate value of my property.

Accordingly, the proposal for the development of this massive mine with its inevitably unavoidable negative impacts in such close proximity to the peaceful neighbourhood of the long established town of Pine Point is unacceptable to me.

This type of development is quite foreign to the long established pattern of productive agriculture and attractive living conditions in nearby Pine Point and other communities. Frankly, this type of heavy industrial mining development only belongs in an area which is remote from such an already well established economic region. It simply cannot be designed, constructed, operated and decommissioned in this location without causing severe disruption to the existing fabric of activities in the area.

Yours sincerely,



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