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**Sent:** Thursday, 7 November 2013 10:26 PM  
**To:** DMITRE: MiningRegRehab  
**Subject:** Application for open cut mine on Yorke Peninsula, by Rex Minerals

Attention Mr Mark Howe: We have only just found out that submissions in relation to this proposed mine close tomorrow, therefore here are our comments. It appears to us and obviously many other people that the outcome of this proposal is a "no brainer", and in fact, we are wondering why this company was permitted to waste its time and money on exploration?! In our opinion, this proposed mine is too big, too close to residential areas, too close to the marine environment and will irreversibly impact on prime farming land and those who live and work on it. We have already seen the numerous mining disasters that have unfolded in NSW and Queensland, leaving shattered communities, huge devaluations of property and serious health problems both mental and physical from noise and dust, not to mention the instances of clear energy company bullying! (Read "Rich land, Wasteland" for the true picture!) We cannot understand how any government could even contemplate allowing similar activities on Yorke and Eyre Peninsulas, with Yorke in particular bringing in over \$560,000,000 in tourism and agricultural income, incomes that are virtually infinite with proper management, and supporting hundreds of jobs. Mining is relatively short-term, and can potentially lay waste to pristine food growing areas, for what? Short term royalties??!! Both federal and state governments in this country are not taking food security seriously enough, in our opinion, and instead allowing mining and energy companies to pretty well do what they like, where they like, ignoring the distress and concerns of the local people?!

We go on holidays to Yorke Peninsula once a year, because it is beautiful and tranquil but we certainly have no wish to spend our precious downtime, anywhere near a huge dirty, noisy and polluting mine, wherever one may appear! The tourism areas on the peninsulas and in the south east are going to be terribly impacted, and we ask you to please not allow this to happen.

It is our opinion, that the multi billion dollar food industries in South Australia are far more important than destructive mining. Water tables and marine environments need protecting from these mining activities, and you are the only ones who can do that. The Mining Act has clauses which give you that power. Please show some leadership, courage and longterm thinking on this issue. We have friends on Yorke Peninsula and are making a submission on their behalf as well as our own!

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