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| <p>Additional comments</p> | <p>Support statement for the Woodside BIH Gold Project (For the Public Record)</p> <p>I wish to address in some detail (in the attached document) the Economic Benefit extending to my small business and five other small businesses that have worked on current Terramin Australia projects or proposed mining and affiliated processing projects for Woodside and Strathalbyn.</p> <p>The small businesses (listed in the document) have agreed in writing to be named in this submission.</p> <p>Additionally, three other local or regional Media businesses have benefitted by our activity. This is a matter of public record.</p> <p>My small business has been a regular provider of Community Information and Engagement services to Terramin Australia Pty Ltd since 2011.</p> <p>The company sourced my business services as part of their requirements to the Government Regulator to meaningfully engage and communicate with the community as part of its license.</p> <p>As required, my business assisted the company to interact with the community in positive and factual ways. Any publications that I produced adhered to ethical standards of the Public Relations Institute of Australia (PRIA) and other Community Standards or Industry Codes that I have upheld since working as a Journalist with mainstream media outlets.</p> <p>I can declare from my 8 years of involvement with these projects that Terramin Australia management and staff proved themselves to be excellent and supportive members of the local community in which they worked.</p> <p>Thank You</p> |
| <p>Attach any documents that support your submission</p> | <p>BIH Supporting statement_O'Reilly Consulting.pdf</p> |



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Support statement for the Woodside BIH Gold Project (*For the Public Record*)

I wish to address in some detail the economic benefit extending to my small business and five other small businesses that have worked on current Terramin Australia projects or on the proposed mining and affiliated processing project for Woodside and Strathalbyn. The individual small businesses (listed below*) have agreed in writing to be named in this submission.

Additionally, three other local or regional media publishing businesses benefitted by our activity. This is a matter of public record.

My small business has been a regular provider of Community Information and Engagement support services to Terramin Australia Pty Ltd since 2011.

The Activity:

My business has developed and produced community engagement, communication information and media services for two of the company's projects in the Adelaide Hills.

The projects:

1/ Angas Zinc Mine & Ore Processing Facility at Strathalbyn in the lower southern region of the Adelaide Hills and the Fleurieu Peninsula; working on this since 2011

2/ Bird In Hand Gold project near Woodside in the Adelaide Hills; working on this since 2014

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As required, my business assisted the company to interact with the community in positive and factual ways. Any publications that I produced adhered to ethical standards of the Public Relations Institute of Australia (PRIA) and other Community Standards or Industry Codes that I have upheld since working as a Journalist with mainstream media outlets.

Sub-Contractors had to be engaged:

To achieve quality contact with local and regional community to foster responses from the wider community, my business required the services of multiple sub-contractor businesses, in the form of creative designers, large scale professional printers, print media (newspaper) advertising placement and at times, direct distribution services.

Informative Newsletter or Flyer publications produced by my business helped to explain recent activities at the mine and facilities at Strathalbyn and describe the ways in which the company and its Employees worked together with the wider community to achieve beneficial opportunities in employment, training, education, work experience and how they addressed some complex areas of need in the community. The former usually related to community service clubs, sports clubs and special needs voluntary groups that assisted disabled persons or youth at risk.



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Treated with sensitivity, the representatives of these groups were pleased to be featured sharing the good news brought to their organisation and its people through sponsorship or direct support by Terramin and its Employees.

I recall a particularly valuable life-saving gift to the community through Terramin's support of the local SES whereby volunteer members underwent rescue training with the company's professional safety experts – and that the company gifted an expensive compressed air tank recharge machine to the SES / CFS that gave their units independent life-protecting capacity for the town. These respectful stories we published may be viewed in various Newsletter Community Updates that were distributed in the region during the active mining and processing phase of the AZM site.

I can declare with total sincerity that Terramin management and staff proved themselves to be excellent members of the local community in which they worked, lived or played. At no time did the company ever step outside the proper path of truth-telling and community openness in the publications I developed and distributed. I ensured that my contact with the Strathalbyn Community Consultative Committee (SCCC) followed established guidelines they set for communication.

Part of my work was to encourage attendance at regular meetings of the SCCC which were open to the public. We advertised meeting dates in the Strathalbyn Argus and Mt Barker Courier as an opportunity for anyone to attend. Management and staff of Terramin never failed to accept comments, criticisms or advice at these events and to act on those directives.

***My work with Terramin provided spin-off benefits to other businesses that the company accepted were necessary to fully engage with the community. They included:**

1. A creative design company T&M Graphic Communication Services
2. A printing company SA Design & Print at Port Elliot
3. Photographic & Video provider, Simon Stanbury Photography
4. Photographic & Video provider Russell Millard Photography
5. Direct delivery company Blue Tongue Outdoor, Kent Town, for specific street deliveries
6. Australia Post for PO Box deliveries
7. Regional Newspapers (a) The Southern Argus at Strathalbyn, (b) The Courier, Mount Barker and (c) The Weekender Herald at Crafers, for distribution via newsletters or advertising

My company was the coordinator of these service to help create regular community information newsletters and website content featuring quality design, text and images.

Additional Regional Spending by my business:

My visits to the various Terramin activities generated additional purchases, which include:

- Fuel and related purchases at Strathalbyn and at Mt Barker
- Other purchases at IGA Supermarkets or shops at Strathalbyn, Port Elliot and Woodside

Again, I can declare from my 8 years of involvement with these projects that Terramin Australia management and staff proved themselves to be excellent and supportive members of the local community in which they worked.

Yours Faithfully



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