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Re: Mining Lease Proposal MC 4322 (INCORPORATING EML 5686) Over Allotments 1, 2 & 5 Hundred OF Nuriootpa Between Freeling and Greenock by Kara Resources Pty LTD 40 Churchill Road North, Dry Creek SA 5094 "Dolomite Deposit."

Dear Mr Howe,

We are objecting to the proposed Nain/Greenock/Daveyston/Freeling mine going ahead.

We are lifelong friends of Andrew and Deb Verner and often stay at Nain with our two children. As we live near the city centre of Adelaide our children love visiting Nain and playing with the cats, dogs, pet sheep and pet birds as well as wandering the property enjoying Mother Nature. We are very concerned about this proposed mine as we are well aware of the long term sacrifices that they have made for their autistic son, Ryan. Selling half of their farm at Riverton to fund health programs, social programs etc. to assist the long term outcomes for Ryan, while being necessary has still been a tough decision to make as they are a farming family.

The move to Nain is part of this long term plan and this proposed mine if it goes ahead will force them to have to look elsewhere, which would come at a major emotional and financial cost to the entire Verner family.

## 4.2 Traffic

**The MLP Risk Matrix** indicates a rating for Traffic as “Minor” with a likelihood of consequences at Category 3 as “Unlikely/Medium”. Without further clarification/information, this Submission rates the effect as “Extreme” and Category 5 as “Virtually Certain/High”.

Risk matrix			Likelihood of consequences				
			1	2	3	4	5
			Virtually impossible	Rare	Unlikely	Likely	Virtually certain
Severity	E	Negligible effects	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
	D	Minor effect	Low	Low	Medium	Medium	Medium
	C	Major effects	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	High
	B	Severe effects	Medium	Medium	Medium	High	High
	A	Extreme effects	Medium	Medium	High	High	High

- Green represents MLP Risk Matrix rating
- Blue represents this submissions rating

Mine traffic will be a concern of ours if the mine goes ahead. Currently we are able to walk along Nain Road to visit the church and look out over the countryside to where the sea can be viewed on a clear day. We would not be able to enjoy and feel as relaxed as we do if there was a danger of mining trucks coming up behind us all the time. It would completely ruin the atmosphere and largely impact our enjoyment of a beautiful and peaceful place.

## 4.9 Visual Amenity

**The MLP Risk Matrix** indicates a rating for Visual Amenity as “Negligible” with a likelihood of consequences at Category 2 as “Rare/Low”. This Submission rates the effect as “Extreme” and Category 5 as “Virtually Certain/High”.

Risk matrix			Likelihood of consequences				
			1	2	3	4	5
			Virtually impossible	Rare	Unlikely	Likely	Virtually certain
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The views from the Verners property and other surrounding areas are fantastic. Whenever we visit, the surrounding area adds a feeling of freedom and nature, something we don't experience in the city. Our children enjoy looking out over the hills and trying to spot the sea. A large mine right in the middle of the rolling hills would completely alter the feeling of the area, ruining its natural atmosphere and the picture being looked at with gravel, trucks, machinery and dust. It will greatly decrease the appeal of the place for both us, local residents and other visitors to the area who come out here to enjoy the peace and nature.

#### 4.10 Noise

**MLP Risk Matrix** indicates a rating for Noise as “Negligible” with a likelihood of consequences at Category 2 as “Rare/Low”. This Submission rates the effect as “Extreme” and Category 5 as “Virtually Certain/High”.

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			1	2	3	4	5
			Virtually impossible	Rare	Unlikely	Likely	Virtually certain
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We often stay at the Verners property overnight and are able to enjoy both days and nights only interrupted by the sounds of birds and other animals. Our children love hearing the noises, particularly those of the pet cockatoo, however if the mine goes ahead we believe that those natural and enjoyable sounds will be overrun by the noises of machinery and trucks. We enjoy being able to get away from the noise of the city however the constant presence of these trucks and noises will make it seem as though we never left, making our trips out there much less enjoyable. We have also witnessed how a quiet and peaceful place such as this benefits the Verners autistic son Ryan. He is able to play with our kids and enjoy himself in a peaceful and relaxed environment with no background noises and traffic.

#### 4.11 Dust

**MLP Risk Matrix** indicates a rating for Dust as “Negligible” with a likelihood of consequences at Category 2 as “Rare/low”. This Submission rates the effect as “Extreme” and Category 5 as “Virtually certain/high”.

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			1	2	3	4	5
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Our children love being outside while visiting the Verners, particularly visiting the animals, playing and exploring in a clean and safe environment. As parents we would be less inclined to let them play outside for such long periods of time if there was the strong presence of dust in the air that comes with a nearby mine especially in strong wind. Damage to both eyes and respiratory systems is likely and we would hate to think that our children are being harmed while simply playing outside and having fun. It would greatly decrease the appeal of the area for us.

### 5. Social and Environmental Benefits

#### 5.1 Social

We fail to see the social benefits of a mine in this area. The appeal of the area would greatly decrease for us and its current image of a quiet, peaceful and clean place which we can look forward to visiting will be greatly diminished. We believe that others will feel similarly and the number of visitors and people who enjoy going out to Nain for the views and area will decrease.

#### 5.3 Environmental

We are very concerned about the environmental impact that this mine will have on the area, particularly that caused by dust and noise. It would be a great shame to see this beautiful area virtually destroyed by the presence of a loud, dirty and ugly mine. We enjoy visiting immensely and hope that our visits are not about to cease due to our friends having to move away in response to the mine going ahead.

We strongly object to the mine and hope to see its development ceased.

