SUBMISSION ON REX MINERALS PROPOSED HILLSIDE MINÉ

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To whom it may concern,

I am totally against the mine proceeding!

I have been a resident of Price on the Yorke Peninsula now for seven years, and have partaken to an extent in the local community through Price Progress.

I feel that this mine will be trouble from day one, what with dust and noise problems, not to mention the extra traffic.

A few jobs for ten or fifteen years and then hundreds of millions of dollars lost fixing the problems long after Rex minerals has ceased to exist. Mining doesn't mix well with tourism or a pristine marine environment, especially copper and gold mining!

Long after the mine is gone, we will have to live with the effects.

I can just imagine the dust blowing around from the spoil heaps and dried out deposits of the containment dams blowing to the surrounding areas with the strong winds that are common to this area.

The jobs that will be provided really are a pittance in the scheme of things as no doubt many jobs will go to 457 visa holders and fly/drive ins from Adelaide or other places. In any event the mine life is so short that most people will just be starting families when they will lose their job or worry about being retrenched as the mine starts winding down in ten years. What we need here are sustainable jobs that can be taken up by local people.

Copper and marine life do not go well together. We have a very important Blue Crab fishery here that we cannot afford to jeopardise in any way!

I am a recreational angler and moved to this area because of its amenity and the excellent fishing. Tourists come here by the bucketload for the crabs and snapper fishing and to have a mine of this size so close to the coast is just ridiculous.

No other city or town in Australia, nor would any city in a first world nation want a project like this on their doorstep.

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