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To Whom It May Concern:

Please find attached submission letter from our Executive Officer, Kerry Treuel, on behalf of the Adelaide Hills Wine Region in relation to the Bird in Hand mine proposal by Terramin Australia Ltd.

Should you have any queries in relation to this, please don't hesitate to contact our office.

Kind regards

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I write on behalf of the Adelaide Hills Wine Region regarding a proposed mining development that will adversely affect one of South Australia's world-renowned wine regions.

The Bird in Hand mine, proposed by Terramin Australia Ltd, would be constructed in the Inverbrackie Creek catchment, just a few hundred metres away from wineries and cellar doors near Woodside in the Adelaide Hills. Terramin Australia would recover the gold-bearing ore by blasting underground, directly underneath vines and farmland.

The catchment lies at the heart of a thriving agricultural and tourism community that is internationally known thanks to the hard work of locals and South Australia's reputation for delivering clean and green produce to the world.

The local community has many concerns about the project, including the impact of noise, dust, lights, truck movements and water contamination.

A working mine could put at risk the regions annual farm gate turnover of more than \$50 million while the underground blasting has the potential to cause significant damage to aquifers, the primary water supply for local growers.

The abovementioned issues alone present an unacceptable risk to surrounding wineries.

The economic value derived from existing businesses in the area is forecast to be around \$800 million over the next five years. By Terramin's own estimates, the mine will generate just \$183 million over the same time.

Additionally, South Australian tourism regions such as the Adelaide Hills Wine Region generate 40 percent of the state's total \$6.6 billion visitor expenditure and account for over 13,000 regional jobs.

While the Adelaide Hills Wine Region is not opposed to mining in general, it is clear the risks this project poses to an already thriving region far outweigh any benefits the mine may deliver.

Yours sincerely



Kerry Treuel
Executive Officer
Adelaide Hills Wine Region

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