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Ms. Linda Jackson,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the plans for the Stibnite Gold Project. Over the last several years, I've had the opportunity to hear a handful of presentations on the project, sit down with members of Perpetua Resources and observe how the company has modified it's plan to accommodate concerns that have been voiced during two different comment periods.

The Stibnite project is important to me because it will strengthen our national security through the production of antimony. Right now, the U.S. relies on foreign countries for this mineral. These days, I think Americans value a domestic supply chain for such important minerals more than ever. The project at Stibnite could produce over 100 million pounds of antimony and become our only domestically mined source in the entire country. Antimony is used to make electronics and batteries and is also a critical mineral for national defense and the energy industry. With the uncertainties that the Coronavirus brought to our world and current war in Ukraine, I want our country to do everything it can to protect us from the uncertainty of changing markets and trade wars.

Perpetua Resources has also taken the time to work closely with the Valley County Snowmobile committee to work through alternative OSV parking and access from the beginning. They have also taken the time to visit with the local clubs as well. I support the Johnson Creek access during construction, but support Burntlog route life of mine so that those of us that snowmobile can have northern access between Cabin/Trout Creek and Yellow Pine after construction.

Perpetua Resources wants to help America secure a domestic supply of the critical mineral antimony and clean up a brownfield site. I feel confident in the company's 2021 Modified Mine Plan. Perpetua has made great improvements to the project from the original documents they submitted – this shows the permitting process has done its job. Let's get this project going!

Appreciate your time,

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