I am proud to submit my comments in support of Perpetua Resources' Stibnite Gold Project. This project presents an incredible opportunity to bring well-paying jobs to rural Idaho, boost the state's economy and provide our country with the much-needed critical mineral antimony. Today, America relies on China and Russia to provide us with antimony. The Stibnite Gold Project could help us secure a domestic source of antimony.

A diverse economy is a strong economy. I am excited about the year-round employment opportunities and other benefits the Stibnite Gold Project will bring to the region. The economic impacts of the project have been closely analyzed by the USFS and numerous other independent, third-party analysts. I know some are concerned about the project's impacts to tourism. However, analysis by the USFS in the DEIS importantly concluded that the Stibnite Gold Project would have negligible socioeconomic impacts to the region's recreation tourism sector. I hope the Stibnite Gold Project will be allowed to move forward utilizing Burntlog Road, so we can provide more than 500 family-wage jobs to Idahoans and inject millions into the local economy.

I urge you to approve Perpetua Resources' project. The Stibnite Gold Project will provide a huge benefit and the company has taken the time to reduce its footprint and improve water quality at site.

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