I am writing in full support of Perpetua Resources' Stibnite Gold project. I have worked in the area of the Project and am strongly convinced that the project should be approved for the following reasons:

- 1) The mine will provide high paying jobs and strong economic support for rural Idaho,
- 2) The Project will remediate significant environmental impacts from historic operations in a way that creates long term sustainable environmental benefit,
- 3) The Project will provide an environmentally and socially responsible, domestic source of a critical mineral that supports the US defense.

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