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Comments: Attn. Matthew Reece

Tongass National Forest Greens Creek Mine

Subject: NEP SEIS 8510 Mendenhall Loop Road Juneau, AK 99801 Re: Greens Creek Mine North

Extension Project

Mr. Reece:

I am writing in support of Hecla Greens Creek Mining Company's (HGCMC) request to expand

their Tailings Disposal Facility (TDF) and related infrastructure as described in their North

Extension Project (NEP). I favor Alternative D.

Expansion of the existing TDF that builds on the existing successful facility, minimizes

disturbance outside the existing lease boundary, and avoids direct disturbance to sensitive

habitats and environmental resources.

HGCMC has demonstrated over the years that their daily operations are carried out with the

objective of protecting the environment. The footprint on Admiralty Island is well managed

and is minimal.

HGCMC has demonstrated its commitment to environmental excellence for the past 35 years. It

also is a significant contributor to Juneau's economy and a generous community supporter.

I support HGCMC's tailings expansion, Alternative D.

Sincerely,

Judith Hayden