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Ms. Jackson,


Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Stibnite Gold Project as part of the National Environmental Policy Act. I own a convenience store and gas station in Valley County. Antimony is used in so much of this business, from strengthening our metal alloys for parts, to diodes and semiconductors. I feel this project can help stop America's import reliance on antimony. As a user of antimony in everyday business, it would be hypocritical of me to try to block responsible domestic antimony production. I feel that Perpetua Resources plan for reclamation and mining of the Stibnite area is environmentally responsible and will actually improve the land after decades of bad mining practices in our history.

Perpetua Resources has made a lot of improvements to its plan after comment periods. The community's feedback was heard, and the project plans improved. Regulators have identified Perpetua's plan as the preferred alternative in the SDEIS, which indicates confidence that safe and environmentally friendly mining practiced will be used by Perpetua. We need the minerals from this project; I fully support it and feel it should move forward.

I have also been impressed with Perpetua's commitment to bettering the community through partnering with schools, hospitals, and charitable organizations. They use local vendors as much as possible. They utilize my business for fuel, lunches, etc and their support has positively impacted our business. The new study by the ID Headwaters is based on opinion because they sure didn't reach out to us or other local vendors to see how it has impacted our business.

Perpetua Resources wants to help America secure a domestic supply of the critical mineral Antimony and clean up a brownfield site. This will better our local region environmentally and economically, and will actually improve national security through better trade balances. Perpetua has made great improvements to the project since submitting original documents, which shows the process has done its job. It is time to permit the Stibnite Gold Project and move this important project forward.

Sincerely,


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