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Comments: I would like to enter my support for Hecla's proposed expansion of their dry stack tailings facility. As an adjacent property owner, I have never had reason to doubt their resolve in keeping the surrounding environment clean and safe. I have practiced as a Certified Public Accountant in Juneau for nearly 30 years. I have seen first hand the benefits that Southeast Alaska has received with Hecla as a major employer and philanthropist. In these uncertain economic times it would be a shame to limit their ability to continue as a going concern by denying the application.