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Comments: Dear Mr. Reece,

I strongly support Alternative D in your consideration of Greens Creek's tailings facility expansion. This mine has operated as a model of environmental care for over 30 years, and led the way in the development of paste backfill and dry-stack tailings disposal. The expansion proposed in D affects an insignificant (<.01 %) amount of the National Monument, includes no new areas outside the lease area, and provides for continued strong employment in SE Alaska. Greens Creek is a leading provider of the silver that is critical in electrical and antimicrobial applications, and helps strengthen a domestic supply chain that is not reliant on unstable, hostile and unreliable foreign trade partners.

Thank you

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