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Comments: Darling Geomatics and its employees support South32 Mine because the mine will provide needed critical resources for energy, medical, manufacturing and defense industries at a time when the USA needs to divest itself of foreign mineral resources for national security reasons. In particular, being dependent on foreign sources means having no options if foreign governments cut off supplies.

Like every commodity, having a secure flow of critical materials is logical and prudent. In the current state of uncertainty in global politics, the USA needs stability and certainty. South32 Mine will add stability and certainty. South32 has shown it will be environmentally responsible during extraction and processing of materials.

South32 creates jobs, critical minerals and metals and community here in Arizona.

/s/ M Darling, CEO