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Comments: Dear Sir/Madam, On behalf of the CSIA-Nitassinan, located at (auto-marked PII), we take the liberty of sending you this request. Founded in 1978, the CSIA is an international solidarity committee supporting the indigenous peoples of the Americas. For over 45 years, we have accompanied the indigenous peoples of North, Central and South America in their political, social, cultural, religious and environmental struggles. In particular, we closely follow the situation of the Lakota, Nakota and Dakota peoples, and are fully aware of the sacred nature of the Black Hills for them. It is precisely for this reason that we are mobilizing against Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project #67838. We are asking for a 60-day extension to the "scoping" public consultation period, to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to express their views. Furthermore, on behalf of the aboriginal peoples we support, we strongly oppose this drilling project, which would seriously threaten traditional Lakota ceremonial practices. Furthermore, it would be incoherent to authorize an initiative with such harmful environmental consequences on a territory located on the continent where COP 30 will be held. Finally, we urge you to demand an environmental impact study before any decision is taken. Yours sincerely, Isis WASYLYSZYN, Campaign Manager for CSIA-Nitassinan-----www.csia-nitassinan.org