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**Rixs' Creek South Continuation of Mining Project (SSD6300)**

**Comments Regarding Additional Information from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (dated 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019)**

As a long term Employee of the Bloomfield Group, I was elated to learn last Friday afternoon that the future of the Rixs Creek South Mine had been secured for another 21 years with the approval of the Rixs Creek South Continuation Project. You can imagine my extreme disappointment to learn a few hours later that a further statement had been issued by the IPCN indicating that the determination was not valid.

I believe that the IPCN has extended the deadline for comments on the additional information provided by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (dated 24 September 2019) until tomorrow at midday.

My understanding is that an exhaustive and comprehensive review of the Project has resulted in a recommendation from the Department for approval in June 2019. The subsequent enquiry by the IPCN including the Department's response on 24 September (and additional feedback since) only reinforces the position that the Project should be approved with the consent conditions as proposed by the Department.

I urge the IPCN to approve the Rixs' Creek South Continuation of Mining Project (SSD6300) without further delay

Yours Sincerely

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