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Dear Jason

**RE: 2023 REPORT ON HILLSIDE MINE COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (HMCCC)**

The HMCCC's Terms Of Reference requires me to "...report on behalf of HMCCC within one month of each financial year in writing to Rex Minerals' Executive General Manager, South Australia and this report will be made available to the community via the HMCCC webpage and the State Government by the end of August each year." Section 16 (page 9).

**BACKGROUND**

The HMCCC was established following a review and recommendation by Consentium that found that the time is right for Hillside Mine Community Voice (HMCV) to reset into a smaller new committee rather than try to reconfigure the existing HMCV to meet a new set of objectives.

They recommended:

- a) *That a new community consultation group be established and move from a representative model to a skills based group;*
- b) *The new group's focus would be on 3 key areas:*
  1. *Social and community benefit, including community investment/ sponsorship;*
  2. *Input to the impact of the operation to community infrastructure (social, built-form, services);*
  3. *High-level observation of key operational performance indicators that impact the community (for example dust, noise).*

**2022-23 FINANCIAL YEAR ACTIVITY**

The first half of the 2022 – 2023 financial year was focused on advertising for and selecting the committee members of the Hillside Mine Community Consultative Committee (HMCCC).

Following the selection process, the inaugural meeting was held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023 and confirmed the following appointments:

- Yorke Peninsula Council appointed Ben Thompson as their nomination;

- Rex Minerals appointed Jo Barrie as their nomination;
- Peter Koulizos, Jo Buchanan, Don Hosking and Shane Kennedy were appointed for a three-year term commencing February 2023;
- Rikki Parkinson, Margaret Roads and Tim Walsh were appointed for a two-year term commencing February 2023. When these two-year term appointments expire it is proposed that all future appointments will be for three-years, ensuring that not all members would retire at the same time.

At this meeting I was appointed for a three-year term as Chair (2 plus 1) as outlined in section 4 (page 5) of the HMCCC Terms Of Reference.

The first meeting was an induction meeting for members. The draft Terms of Reference were discussed, amended and then adopted by the members. Members also received a comprehensive status update on the Hillside Mine.

HMCCC has had two further meetings in April and June. Mark Stewart, Team Leader, Mining Compliance from the Department for Energy and Mining was guest speaker at our April meeting and outlined the department's role in mining compliance.

Between the April and June meetings HMCCC members provided Rex with their feedback on the Company's Community Engagement (CEP) and Social Management Plans (SMP) and I provided a consolidation report of their comments.

At our June meeting we had a very honest and fruitful discussion on the CEP and SMP with you and other executives, which we hope added value to the further development of these plans. Members also reviewed Rex's Landowner Communication and Operating Protocol Management Plan.

HMCCC appreciated being invited to participate in Rex Minerals' community information night in early June, which we note was very well attended. We would be pleased to be involved in future information events. We have retired the former HMCV website and currently have a new site under development.

Whilst it is early days for the HMCCC we have been very grateful for the support of all staff at Rex Minerals, in particular Kylie Thompson, Jo Barrie and Kim Russell. The HMCCC is very appreciative of your ongoing support and your attendance at our meetings.

Members look forward to working with Rex Minerals over the next 12 months to enable us to provide the company with a community perspective on the Hillside project.

Yours sincerely

signed

**PHIL TYLER**

Chair, Hillside Mine Community Consultative Committee