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To Whom it may Concern,

I find it incredibly heartbreaking to think that in 2020 I am writing a submission to object a Mine that believes potential jobs in a community would ever be more important than the health of our children & our community. Is there truly anything in this world more important than Human Health?

Once a child has been exposed to lead, there is nothing that can be done to reverse the damage caused. Exposure over time can lead to reduced IQ, severe behavioural disorders & even brain damage. Lead exposure can affect our children's growth & development for the rest of their lives.

Dust is the primary pollutant from the Mine & the EIS reports outlined by the mines reported findings are using outdated information in regards to safe lead exposure levels and do not provide an accurate level of the implications we will see from lead in the air.

Bowden's have never Mined before and therefore cannot guarantee that the local community will not be affected, all their research is based on prediction & outdated findings and no actual prior experience.

"Predictions" or data reports from Modules is not suffice when it comes to the safety of my 5-month-old son, living a short 10kms from the mine, or the children at Lue school just 2km from the Mine site.

If this mine proceeds I would no longer feel safe to raise my family living so close to the mine site and risk being exposed to lead contamination in our air and water supply.

This mine plans to operate for a short 16 years, nothing compared to a lifetime of health issues our children will face if they are exposed to Lead. The Mine will make their money and leave our community to deal with the devastation left behind.

Our children are the future and we must fight for their right to grow up in a safe environment.

Thank you for taking the time to read my concerns.

Kind Regards

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