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# Submission on the Sunrise Mine Project - Modification No 4

Dear Ms Hawkeswood,

We own properties in the vicinity of the mine site, including one adjacent to the site.

Our objection relates to the following:

### 1. Traffic Increases

The significant increases in traffic movements will make it impossible to conduct our farming enterprise. We will be unable to move stock or machinery safely to our other holding.

- The haulage of 100,000 tpa of ammonium sulphate
- The haulage of an additional 90,000 tpa of sulphur
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- The haulage of 3,000 tpa of caustic soda and 50,000 tpa of lime reagents.
- The haulage of up to an additional 200,000 tpa of limestone;

#### 2. Ore Processing Emissions

As an adjacent landholder we are also concerned about the ore processing technology and whether it has been proven to be environmentally safe. In this regard we seek an assurance from the EPA and independent experts that noise and air quality emissions will be within acceptable limits and that there will be no adverse impacts on human health, livestock, crops and the environment.

## 3. Water Impacts

As farmers we are totally reliant on the quality and quantity of water, both for our livelihood and for domestic consumption. I am concerned about the accuracy of the predictions regarding the drawdown in surrounding water bores, the validity of make-good provisions and the impacts on clean surface water quality, quantity and drainage flow pattern changes and water collection for household consumption.

#### 4. Voluntary Acquisition Provisions

The voluntary acquisition consent conditions as drafted are seriously inadequate to protect our health and wellbeing in the event that noise, dust, water, human health or other impacts are unacceptable to us. We ask that these provisions be significantly strengthened to better protect the interests of landholders, acknowledging that the miner holds the power and influence in such negotiations.

Yours sincerely,