

# Online Comment

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My comments are made based on providing positive environmental solutions to restarts of dormant mining projects focussed on the process operational impacts. The fact this property has existing equipment while having extreme value to the effectiveness of the project and subsequent returns on investments, it will require special applications of new technologies. For the past 25 plus years we have been installing and refurbishing equipment in plants that have ranged in age from the 50's thru 2017. The existing assets are valuable and with proper care can be operated very effectively and environmental sound practices. They can also be upgraded to "new world class standards" for pollution controls, fugitive dust and air and water discharge qualities. The time period from it's shutdown until now should not be a big issue in restarting, areas of which an analysis, if not already done and anticipated, should focus on are, as it pertains to the process area: 1. Lead paints and Transite siding, often found in building older than 1980 2. Inspections and Cleaning of piping process and discharge 3. Areas to have improvement in operational closed loop water management systems 4. Changes in Federal MSHA safety requirements thru out the site 5. Changes within Electrical codes and upgrades How solutions can be found, while of course I would like for the group to employ someone like ourselves, Vezer Industrial Professionals, relying on experts and consultants that can compress the cycle time and provide the most cutting edge solutions that the project can afford within it's aggregate budget and be in full environmental compliance and stewardship. The community can take confidence that it's interests are being dealt with first by having such solution, in anticipation of their questions, people knowing that you are consulting with the best companies that have serviced the mining industry & other process industries in many countries will add confidence. These many mines have had similar meeting and community discussions. Yes, communities want the jobs that can ensue, but they want the confidence that past or historic interests that did not address the existing environmental concerns, have been thought out by management (which often is viewed by the community as self serving and profit driven) and solutions are already anticipated and budgeted for. These solutions may not necessarily come from the gene pool of the area but can benefit from Global invitations of other operators and professionals, that can be pipelined to your meetings as a backup so that immediate expert answers can be provided. My comments are personal and do not necessarily reflect the views of Vezer Industrial Professionals, other than we commonly share the desire to see good world class environmentally sound process operations in restarting of mining operations. I do not have any direct or indirect interest other than as a tiny shareholder that believes in the value this will bring to the local, state and federal GDP. This project, besides creating skilled well paying jobs, contributes to our country's exports and domestic consumption of valuable resources that we the people should have safe access to benefiting from for generations. If anyone should want to reach out to me for further comments or observations, I am George Petker, 67, cell phone 775-685-6651. Thank you for this opportunity to express my viewpoint being unable to attend. George Petker

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