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Attention: Doug Haywood

1800 Marquess Street, Las Cruces, NM 88005

Re: Copper Flat Mine Project

Dear Mr. Haywood,

I am State Representative Jim Dines and I support New Mexico Copper Corporation's plan to re-open the Copper Flat Mine in Sierra County, New Mexico.

This project will provide much needed employment in Sierra County and it will also bring work to many supporting sectors for a positive impact throughout the state. Furthermore, the United States needs responsible domestic production of natural resources. The Copper Flat mine will produce copper and other valuable metals right here in New Mexico and I feel we have proper federal and state regulations in place to ensure protection of workers and the environment. I ask that you work through the EIS process efficiently and without delay so that we can welcome responsible industry in Sierra County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Dines".

State Representative Jim Dines, District 20