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Environment and Climate Change Canada
Mining and Processing Division
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RE: Sisson MMER Schedule 2 Amendment Public Comment

To Whom It May Concern:

The Fredericton Chamber of Commerce is committed to supporting responsible resource development in the province. We represent nearly 1,000 businesses and organizations that employ more than 25,000 people. As a result, we feel compelled to submit our comments in support of the Sisson Project under the MMER public consultation process.

We have been closely following the Sisson mine project's development over the past six years and are pleased that several major milestones have been achieved to date. It is our opinion that Sisson Project representatives have done everything reasonably possible to communicate and inform the public, having been active in its outreach throughout the province since first proposing the Sisson Mine project in 2010 - an indication they will be good stewards throughout the 27-year lifespan of the mine. Natural resource development has long been the bedrock of New Brunswick's economy and we see this project as the continuation of that lineage.

The Environmental Impact Assessment Report has successfully received both federal and provincial approval. As it relates to the MMER process, the tailings storage alternatives assessment and habitat off-setting plan are well documented in the Environmental Impact Assessment Report which has been thoroughly vetted through a series of public reviews, complete with multiple public comment periods.

Sisson has always committed to developing a responsible resource development project and continued engagement of the public and First Nation throughout the life of the project.

The Sisson project will be subject to MMER regulated water quality discharge limits to ensure protection of the receiving waters. The company will also be required to meet the 40 conditions outlined in the Environmental Impact Assessment Approval, including a detailed follow-up environmental monitoring program.



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We ask Environment and Climate Change Canada to ensure a timely and positive MMER review process so that the project can move forward and New Brunswick can benefit from the development of its resources.

Sincerely,

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Keir Clark
Scotia Wealth Management
President, Fredericton Chamber of Commerce

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Krista Ross, CEO
Fredericton Chamber of Commerce