Dear Mr. Seefeldt,

We acknowledge receipt of your fax on 29 November 2013. Your concerns are understood and your fax will be placed in an Appendix to the EIA report.

I think we have assessed the concerns in the EIA report. There have been substantial specialist studies on groundwater, dust etc. The specialist studies are all in the appendices, and are summarised in the EIA Report.

However, I would like to mention the following that are perhaps not yet clear in the report: -

- Firstly, regarding the amount that is required to be placed in a fund for rehabilitation. That amount needs to be determined in conjunction with the design engineers in due course.

- Secondly, regarding mining in National Parks. I am very sympathetic with your concern. It is really a policy matter that needs to be decided by Government. While MME continues to issue exploration licences in Parks they cannot really prevent mining within those EPLs. Otherwise they could face massive legal claims from licence holders. The policy of mining only strategic minerals in Parks has previously not been applied consistently, if at all. This is not really something that can be addressed in an EIA because Government has to decide on policy and then stick to.

Should you have any other queries, please be free to call me.

Kind regards,

Environmental Scientist.