Dear Sir or Madam,

HYPOTHERTICAL DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL - Former mine waste at Devon Great Consols, Tavistock, Devon.

I am writing on behalf of myself and my fellow students who have been tasked with conducting an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for a HYPOTHETICAL development at Devon Great Consols in Tavistock, Devon. As part of the EIA we will be looking into the socio-economic impacts of a development of this nature and would value your input regarding how this development might affect your business or organisation.

We would like to invite you to participate in this public consultation and attached is a short questionnaire for you to consider. Below are the details of the proposed development, and you are free to contact me at any time should you have any further questions regarding the parameters of the development. We would welcome any additional comments you may wish to put forward and we appreciate you taking the time to assist in our public consultation.

THE DEVELOPMENT – Reprocessing of the existing mine waste for Tungsten.

The development is proposing to re-process the existing mine waste heaps on the Devon Great Consols site for the remaining metal content, Tungsten.

- The development will aim to 'clean up' the former mining site while still retaining the cultural heritage.
- Mitigation measures will be put in place to reduce the contamination of the site.
- After the reprocessing, 95% of the waste heaps currently on site will be retained.
- The project will last approximately 3 years, with a staff of 6 on site at any one time and 3-4 heavy goods vehicles will travel to and from site per week.

As a member of the public with a vested interest in the site you might want to consider what the implications of a development of this nature will have on your business or organisation. These can be compartmentalized into two categories during the development and after the development is complete. Some of the potential impacts and benefits are listed below, these are some examples and impacts and benefits are not limited to these examples.

Impacts:

- Access to the site may be limited during operation.
- Noise generated on site may be audible to some extent.
Additional traffic will be added to the road network near the site.
Visual changes in the landscape (if the site is visible from your location).

Benefits:

- Increased employment opportunity.
- Additional revenue to the local economy.
- Reduction of contamination through remediation.

We would like to welcome you to comment on how this development would affect your business or organisation. The **deadline for comments** is no later than **16th February 2014** if they are to be included in the report.

Once again this is a hypothetical development and your responses will be utilized for **education purposes only**. We appreciate any feedback you are able to provide as this will greatly benefit our learning outcome.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions regarding the development or the nature of the public consultation. If you have any concerns and would like to contact a member of staff at the university please let me know and I would be happy to provide their contact details.

More information can be found about the site can be found at the [Tamar Valley Tourism Association](#), [Cornish Mining Heritage](#) and the [Tamar Valley – Tamar Trails](#) websites.

Kind regards,

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