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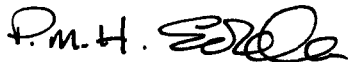
Dear Dr. Enns;

Re: Request that the Drinking Water Officer issue a Drinking Water Health Hazard Prevention Order regarding the proposed Raven Coal Project, pursuant to section 25 of the *Drinking Water Protection Act*

Please be advised, Fanny Bay Waterworks District (FBWD) is in full and complete support of this submission.

As we are sure you will understand, FBWD has grave concerns regarding the negative impacts on our drinking water as a result of proposed mining activity in the immediate vicinity of our watershed and aquifer recharge zones. These concerns are well born out in the submission and in the attached report from Dr. Gilles Wendling.

We therefore respectfully request that you take immediate steps to issue an order as set out in section 25 of the act to prevent this imminent hazard to our pristine drinking water as we know it to be


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February 13th 2013

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Dear Dr. Enns:

The Ships Point Improvement District is in full support of the submission put forward by Coal Watch Comox Valley Society regarding the respectful request that the Drinking Water Officer issue a Drinking Water Health Hazard Prevention Order regarding the proposed Raven Coal Project, pursuant to section 25 of the *Drinking Water Protection Act*.

Ships Point Improvement District, acting on behalf of the ratepayers and within its mandate to protect the watershed and aquifer of potable water supplied to the ratepayers and residents of our district do hereby request that a Drinking Water Hazard Prevention Order be issued to address the risk to drinking water posed by the proposed Raven Underground Coal Project.

Section 25(1) (b) of the *Drinking Water Protection Act* (DWPA) gives authority to you to issue an order when there is

...reason to believe that...there is a significant risk of an imminent drinking water health hazard.

We believe the proposed Raven Coal mine will negatively impact our watershed, including exposing our drinking water to toxins. The proposed coal mine will draw excessive potable water for industrial use on a finite freshwater resource. The aquifer and pristine watershed have not yet been adequately defined in the past ten years by either the Provincial government of BC or the Federal Government of Canada. To threaten the potable water supply of citizens of the area, to negatively impact the natural resources of a community watershed, is not acceptable.

The proposed coal mine is not only a threat; it is a promise of unnecessary exposure and exploitation of a pristine watershed serving the needs of our residents.

We respectfully request immediate action be taken to issue an order, as set out in Section 25 of the *Drinking Water Protections Act*, to prevent the decimation of our watershed.



Suzanne Murray

Chair, Ships Point Improvement District Board of Trustees

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