



Saskatchewan Industrial & Mining
Suppliers Association Inc

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Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment
Environmental Assessment Branch
4th Floor, 3211 Albert Street
Regina, Saskatchewan
S4S 5W6

Attention: Aimann Sadik, Senior EA Administrator
RE: Yancoal – Southey Project, 2015-003

Dear Mr. Sadik,

I am writing on behalf of the members of the Saskatchewan Industrial Mining Suppliers Association (SIMSA) in support for the development of the Yancoal Southey Project in southern Saskatchewan.

The approval and construction of this project would mean Saskatchewan would see an investment of over 3 billion dollars with a significant portion going directly into Saskatchewan's economy. The spinoff that Saskatchewan companies would realize from this is potentially 3 fold when you think of how it would positively impact our supply chain and secondary industries that support the primary supply chain companies. This is a project of very significant economic opportunity for our member companies, as well as others.

SIMSA has just entered into our fourth year, and our membership is approximately 70 and growing. Our combined current capacity is \$3 billion dollars in annual revenue.

The Yancoal – Southey project is very important to Saskatchewan businesses and Saskatchewan people. We appreciate all measures you can take to ensure that every effort is made to provide a clear path forward for the approval and development of this tremendous Saskatchewan opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Nowakowski", is written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

Jim Nowakowski
SIMSA Board Chair