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Resolution EIS Comments P.O. Box 34468 Phoenix, Az 85067-4468

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Cody Elgo, I am a member of the San Carlos Apache Tribe who works for a contractor that provides services to Resolution Copper. I have to be honest with you, at first I did not want to write this letter but the more I hear some of my tribal leaders speak against the Resolution Copper project, the more I begin to think that they are interfering with my livelihood. Before my employment, I had a very tough time looking for a job in San Carlos. You see, there are very few jobs available so the job pool is highly competitive. Hence, I write because I have experienced firsthand how difficult it is to get a job in the area and how important it is to hold on to local employment opportunites because I want to live and work near my family and community. I want to make a difference that will help other tribal members get a job, learn a trade, participate in training, and have the ability to provide for their families like I do.

Because I have heard that the Forest Service will be consulting with my tribal council on the Resolution Project, please consider:

- 1. an employment plan for Resolution Copper to hire and retain San Carlos Apaches as direct employees and indirect employees working for contractors.
- 2. a plan to train and provide educational opportunities for San Carlos members in the various jobs that will be required at Resolution Copper either as full time or contract. .
- 3. a plan with Resolution Copper to work with and further increase the ability of San Carlos tribal businesses that can provide services to the Resolution Copper project.

Furthermore, I have heard that Resolution Copper will be the mine of the future, different than the historic mining that has happened in the area, with new technology combined with the current environmental regulations. How is the proposed mine different from existing mining methods in the Copper Triangle and what are the positions needed to be filled when in construction and production phase? Can the EIS please describe the modern mining technology, the new regulations for protection of the environment and the kind of positions and jobs needed when in construction and production as these jobs will require a skill that can be used outside of mining?

Thank you for taking the time to address my inquiries. I want to make sure that there is a clear path for everyone to benefit from this company because I believe there is true opportunity for people to benefit and applaud Resolution Copper for the good deeds they have done thus far. I support this project and hope to see it through to production.

Sincerely, Cody Elgo San Carlos Apache Tribal Member