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September 2, 2016
Cynthia Bertocci

Dear Cynthia Bertocci,

Please deliver these comments to the BEP.

Dear Chairman Parker and members of the Board of Environmental Protection:

I urge you to reject the latest version of DEP's weak mining rules.

It is more than time for Maine to move to a different kind of economy that relies less on extractive industries and more on sustainable, local enterprises. To do this we all need to make major changes in our lives--including consuming fewer things that rely on mining. Government and industry also need to come together to devise livable jobs for the women and men who would normally be involved in mining. So I hope you will use this moment both to oppose weakening of current rules and to support innovative ways of rethinking Maine's economy.

Please follow the lead of both the 126th and 127th Legislatures, and reject these rules.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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