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**Subject:** In support of the Bowdens Silver Project

To whom it may concern,

The Bowdens Silver Project, which was acquired by Silver Mines in 2016, is located near Mudgee in the Mid-Western Region of NSW and is not only an important part of Silver Mines' future, but a significant asset to the state. It is the largest undeveloped silver project in Australia and one of the largest globally with almost 320 million ounces of silver equivalent. The mine's 23-year life, including 16.5 years of silver production and by-products of zinc and lead, underpins significant

value potential for Bowdens Silver, and ultimately Silver Mines. As part of Bowdens Silver's ongoing exploration activities, a Scoping Study is underway for potential underground mining opportunities which could extend the life of the project.

The benefits of the project are well understood and supported by the local communities with the recognition it will bring long-term employment, training and business opportunities to the region.

To help this important project secure approval, I make this written submission in support of the project.

Thank you for your consideration of this email and the facts of this important initiative.

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