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Tara Bailey, Project Manager
Impact Assessment Agency of Canada
600-55 York Street, Toronto, ON M5J 1R7

Dear Ms. Bailey,

On behalf of Haveman Brothers Forestry Services, I am writing to express our strong support for the advancement of First Mining Gold's Springpole Gold Project. As a long-standing northern Ontario contractor with deep roots in forestry, land management, and remote-site operations, we have worked alongside First Mining Gold during various phases of site preparation and field support. Through this work, we have consistently observed First Mining's commitment to responsible development, environmental protection, and respectful engagement with local and Indigenous communities.

Our crews have supported activities at the Springpole site under strict environmental protocols designed to safeguard water, wildlife, and culturally significant areas. First Mining has demonstrated a clear dedication to proactive monitoring, transparent communication, and adaptive management—standards that reflect a strong environmental ethic and a genuine willingness to listen to community and Indigenous concerns. Their professionalism and responsiveness set them apart as a proponent that understands the importance of doing things the right way in northern Ontario.

The Springpole Project represents a significant opportunity for continued economic growth across the region. Reliable employment, local procurement, and skills development are essential to sustaining families and businesses in our northern communities, and projects like Springpole play a crucial role in ensuring that opportunities remain in the region for future generations. Haveman Brothers values partnerships that contribute to long-term regional stability, and Springpole stands out as a project capable of delivering those benefits responsibly.

Based on our direct experience working with First Mining Gold and our confidence in their environmental and operational integrity, Haveman Brothers strongly encourages the Government of Canada to advance the Springpole Gold Project through the federal environmental assessment and into the next permitting stages.

Sincerely,

Mike Haveman | Owner | Haveman Brothers Forestry Services

Cc: Honourable Julie Dabrusin Minister of Environment, Climate Change and Nature