

## Mark Johnson

I am writing to ask for an Environmental Assessment to determine whether mixing Manh Choh ore tailings with the non-acid generating tailings at Ft. Knox should have a full review of the Ft. Knox closure plans and the associated assurance bond Kinross must post to cover future mitigation costs. Such an assessment and posting of assurance bonds is a necessary step in the permitting procedure.

I ask for this permitting process to include a public hearing and additional time to review all the records. From what is available now, I object to this permit.

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