



To the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA),

We, the undersigned residents, workers and supporters of Minnesota's Iron Range and the broader state, respectfully urge the MPCA to move forward with the timely review and approval of Mesabi Metallica's remaining environmental permit amendments.

Mesabi Metallica represents one of the largest private-sector investments in Minnesota in decades. The project has already brought hundreds of high-quality construction jobs to our communities. Once operational the project will be the first new iron mine and pellet plant on the Iron Range in almost 50 years. It will strengthen domestic steel supply chains and generate long-term economic stability for communities across the Range. As Minnesota continues to prioritize responsible industry, local opportunity and sustainable development, Mesabi Metallica stands to play a meaningful role in that future.

We believe that:

- Environmental responsibility and economic growth can coexist. Mesabi Metallica has committed to meeting and exceeding Minnesota's environmental expectations through modern engineering, emissions controls, and rigorous environmental monitoring.
- A clear, predictable permitting process is essential. The state's established environmental standards are among the strongest in the nation, and applicants who meet those standards deserve a fair and timely path forward.
- Our region benefits from projects that provide stable employment, community investment, and long-term economic resilience.

By signing this petition, we respectfully request that the MPCA grant the necessary permit amendments for the project to proceed.

Minnesota can lead the way in showing that responsible industry, strong environmental protections and thriving communities are not mutually exclusive—they are interconnected goals that strengthen our future.

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