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I am urging you to reject the proposed air-pollution permit for the Copper World min. The proposed permit does not ensure the mine protects our air or environment. As a resident of Arizona, and as a taxpayer, the air I breathe and the water I drink, should be protected over mining interests from a corporation from another country. The draft permit allows for construction of a massive open-pit mining operation. This will include basting, ore crushing, processing, and the construction of a sulfuric acid plant. This will threaten not only my health but the public health and the environment.

The permit is contains many deficiencies. It exempts the mine for compliance at all times. It fails to require monitoring of emissions from all sources. It does not contain specific terms and conditions to ensure enforceability of emissions limits. It allows the mine to avoid permiting and pollution control requirements by classifying ore processing as "fugitive".

I am asking that you require the Copper World mine to obtain a Class I permit. This will make the mine accountable and will ensure that Copper World mine will control emissions and monitoring. It will make the mine always accountable.

You owe it to the tax paying residents to hold Hudbay Minerals and the Copper World mine accountable.