

April 18, 2022 Senator Jason Rarick Capitol Office 95 University Avenue W. Minnesota Senate Bldg., Rm #3411 St Paul, MN 55155

Dear Senator Rarick,

On behalf of Talon Metals, I would like to express our support for the Highway 73 construction project located along the 8-mile stretch south of Cromwell, MN in Carlton County. As a company working in the nearby area on the Tamarack Nickel Project, located 10 miles from Cromwell, several of our employees, families and friends living in the area utilize this stretch of road often. It is our company's goal for the Tamarack Nickel Project to become an operating underground nickel mine to provide a domestic source of nickel for the US EV battery supply chain. With the success of this project would also come additional jobs in the area and the opportunity for new businesses and development, further adding to the use of this road.

We strive to support the interests of our community, and it is clear that the Highway 73 rebuild is important to our community's safety and transportation accessibilities.

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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