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Amanda Romero and Mauricio Lazala Senior Researcher and Representative for South America Business & Human Rights Resources Centre

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Reference: Response to Antamina article

Dear Ms. Romero and Mr. Lazala,

Thank you for providing Teck the opportunity to respond to allegations in the article: "Áncash ocupa segundo lugar en pasivos mineros y urge protección de las cabeceras de cuencas" (Ancash holds second place in mining liabilities and protection to headwaters is urgent) — January 23, 2019, La República: <a href="https://larepublica.pe/sociedad/1399590-ancash-ocupa-segundo-lugar-pasivos-mineros-urge-proteccion-cabeceras-cuencas">https://larepublica.pe/sociedad/1399590-ancash-ocupa-segundo-lugar-pasivos-mineros-urge-proteccion-cabeceras-cuencas</a>.

Teck holds a 22.5% stake in the Antamina mine, which is a large copper and zinc operation, located in the Andes mountain range, 270 kilometres north of Lima, Peru. Our partners are BHP Billiton plc (33.75%), Glencore plc (33.75%) and Mitsubishi Corporation (10%). While jointly owned, Antamina is independently operated.

At Teck, the pursuit of sustainability guides our approach to business, and is one of the core values of our company. Over our more than 100-year history, we have learned that responsible mining and mineral development is fundamental to our long-term success. That's why our company is committed to continued improvement in health and safety performance, responsible environmental management, and strengthening local communities. Antamina shares these commitments and as a shareholder we work to ensure that appropriate prevention measures and responses to material risks are adopted by Antamina.

As indicated in the letter sent to the Business & Human Rights Resources Centre by Antamina, in both incidents mentioned by the article, which occurred in 2012 and 2017 respectively, the company responded quickly to contain the spill and notify the community, as well as to ensure that adequate clean up and remediation actions were in place. Due to the prompt response and actions, no water bodies were contaminated as a result of the spill and monitoring was conducted afterwards to fully mitigate any potential damage or impacts.

Given Antamina is an independent operator, should you require further detail on specific efforts associated with the spills, we request you direct these enquiries to Antamina

Sincerely,

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