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TiGa welcomes decision to allow West Coast mine

New Zealand-registered company TiGa Minerals & Metals Limited has welcomed the decision by independent commissioners to allow it to proceed with its proposed mine on the West Coast's Barrytown Flats.

"This is great news, and not just for TiGa and its investors, who include West Coast entrepreneurs who wanted to mine this significant garnet and ilmenite resource 20 years ago," TiGa Managing Director Robert Brand said. "It is also a real boost for the local and regional economy, which needs the economic strength that comes from diversification of industry and broadened employment opportunities."

Brand said TiGa thanked the community for its involvement in the consent process.

"TiGa carefully considered local issues and adapted our proposed operation to mitigate concerns raised throughout the process. We look forward to continuing to work with the community going forward, which we will facilitate through our promised community liaison group."

Brand said the company will now work through the decision, acknowledging that there is a period, now, where a submitter could appeal the consent decision to the Environment Court.

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