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CHAIRMAN SAYS GOV'T PLAYS FAVOURITES - Clifford Rennie,
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Better Resources Ltd., reports he has sent a letter of complaint to various officials regarding the attitude of the B.C. Government with regards to a now-failed garnet mine and the current dispute at a ski resort, both located in the Apex Mountain area near Penticton, southern B.C. SEE LETTER OVERLEAF P.1.

Basically, Mr. Rennie finds it hard to understand how the B.C. Government is promoting the development of industrial mineral projects (SEE SAMPLES B.C. GOV'T BROCHURES OVERLEAF P.2), while at the same time, the proposed Crystal Peak garnet mine was delayed for so long by studies and red tape, mine developer Polestar Exploration Inc. could not meet its financial commitments and was delisted by the Vancouver Stock Exchange.

On the other hand, the B.C. Government has provided loan guarantees to the nearby ski resort because it was suffering financial hardship due to a native Indian blockade on the road to the resort.

The garnet mine would have provided 27 jobs and produced 60,000 tonnes of garnet per year. Quarrying of garnet would have only been for six weeks per year in the spring after the ski season and processed at a mill outside the ski recreation area. Garnet is an environmentally friendly mineral which is rapidly replacing unhealthy silica sand used in sandblasting. Processing would not have generated any toxic run-off.

Mr. Rennie sent the letter to B.C. Premier Mike Harcourt; Anne Edwards, B.C. Minister of Energy, Mines & Petroleum Resources; Moe Sihota, Bill Barlee, John Cashore, the B.C. & Yukon Chamber of Mines, the *Penticton Herald* and others.

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