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Based on the detailed environmental assessment of the Marathon PGM-Cu Project, as reflected in this EIS and all its supporting technical studies, and taking into account the various mitigation and compensation measures identified, SCI and its environmental assessment team concludes that:

- the Project will provide significant economic benefit to the local, regional, provincial and national economies, as well as local communities and Aboriginal peoples;
- the Project is not predicted to result in any significant adverse effects on the environment;
- the Project can proceed while remaining protective of the environment and peoples in proximity to the proposed Project;
- accidents and malfunctions that might occur as the result of the implementation of the Project are not predicted to result in significant adverse environmental effects;
- the environment, in consideration of climate change, extreme weather, forest fires and seismic events, is not likely to cause significant effects on the Project;
- the Project will not result in significant adverse effects on renewable resources; and,
- the Project is not predicted to result in any significant adverse cumulative effects on the environment.